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As the noonday hour drew near the watchers at the bedside noted the approach of death. Several times his lips moved as if in prayer, but the articulation was so faint that the words could not be heard.

The arrangements for the funeral have not as yet been fully completed but the services will be held next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Congregational church. The burial will be in the "Roundtop." This is a spot on the seminary grounds near Mr. Moody's home lot, which has become famous in connection with the summer meetings and on which hundreds of student gatherings have been held, many of them conducted by Mr. Moody himself. On this account it seemed to the family fitting that the burial should be at that spot.

Protest Against British Cruelties.

Amsterdam, Dec. 23.—A committee has been formed to draw up a protest against cruelties alleged to have been committed by the British in South Africa. A manifesto will be issued to the people of England and the continent reciting instances.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 23.—On January 1 the wages in all the various works of the Carnegie steel works in this vicinity will be increased.

Clingstone Buried.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 23.—Clingstone (2:14), the fastest trotter in the world in the 80s, was chloroformed at the Gordon stables on Thursday afternoon and was given a burial Friday. His record was made July 23, 1882, on the famous Glenville course.

Personally Appealed to Judges.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—Miss Mollie D. Nolan, one of the sisters dismissed from the Cincinnati schools on a charge of unladylike conduct, personally appealed to the supreme court judges to rehear her suit against Michael Kane, who preferred the charges, for $10,000 damages. She was refused.

For Clerk of the House.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—The announcement of the candidacy of Harry S. Griffith, of Mt. Gilead, for clerk of the house, is accepted as equivalent to an edict from Senator Hanna that neither McElroy, Bell nor Goldenbogen will do. Griffith was at the head of the speakers' bureau in the recent campaign.

An Unruly Convict.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—Tom Hale, Cincinnati man serving a life sentence for assault, fought with Gus Roth, foreman of the stamp shop, Friday, landing several times on Roth's face. He was "paddled" and will not be allowed to join in the Christmas festivities.

Father Spoiled An Elopement.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—On instructions from William Carlisle, a Mt. Gilead banker, the police Friday morning arrested Scott Coile, aged 20, of Sparta, and Madge Trimmer, 16, of Mt. Liberty, as they got off a train. Carlisle said the couple were eloping to Kentucky.

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Springfield, O., Dec. 23.—Burglars blew open the safe at a store at Westville and secured considerable goods. They then stole three horses and escaped. Thieves also stole Robert Elliott's horse and Henry Wildman's wagon at Selma.

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A Cape Town dispatch, dated Sunday December 17, reports that Commandant Diedericks, of the Boer forces, was killed in a recent engagement, but no details are given. Advices from Naauwpoort indicate everything is quiet there, and the only fresh news from Arundel concerns the weather, which is excessively hot.

The Daily Telegraph has a special from Chievely, dated December 16, which tells how Lieut. Roberts, son of Lord Roberts, fell at Tugela river. It says:

"The horses of the 14th and 66th batteries had been killed and lieutenant Roberts Capt. Schofield and Capt. Congreve, of the rifles, attempted with gunner volunteers, to drag out the guns. Capt. Schofield succeeded, helped by a corporal and some men. Lieut. Roberts was hit by a shell. Capt. Congreve was struck and wounded slightly. After a while Capt. Congreve, Capt. Foster and Maj Baptie brought Lieut. Roberts from the open into a little ravine, where he lay hidden from the enemy's terrible fire.

Fourteen gunners, 16 men of the Devonshire regiment and — men were with Col. Bullock. When the retirement was ordered these men, with isolated parties of Devonshires and Scots Fusileers, together with some of the Queens, were cut off and captured. Many fought until late in the afternoon, a part of the Irishmen running the gauntlet of the Boer Mausers from hiding places along the river bank.

"At 5 p. m. 40 Boers approached the abandoned guns. On espying Col. Bullock, Capt. Congreve and the others in the ravine they called upon the British to surrender. Col. Bullock declined, and threatened to shoot although his party had only 14 rifles. The Boers retired from the guns and a parley ensued. Then 100 Boers rode up within a few yards of the party, but Col. Bullock swore he would not be made a prisoner, whereupon a Boer knocked him down with his rifle butt.

"Afterward the enemy gave our wounded water and cordials. Then, having taken all their arms, ammunition and field glasses, they let them return by our ambulances. Col. Bullock, Col. Hunt, Maj. Walter and Capt Goodwin were taken prisoners. The Scots fusileers lost nearly two companies captured."

A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Chievely, dated December 17, estimates the casualties in Gen. Bullock's repulse as 1,150, including 332 missing. It announces that a portion of the British troops have returned to Frere.

The Chievely correspondent of the Standard, who attributes the whole disaster involved in Gen. Buller's repulse to the mistake of Col. Long in taking the artillery too close to the river, says:

"Col. Long fired for 90 minutes and simply exhausted his ammunition."

Lord Kitchener will join Lord Roberts at Gibraltar. The earl of Erroll, hereditary lord high constable of Scotland, will accompany the commander-in-chief in special service. The earl of Derby is raising a corps of volunteers in Lancashire. Mr. Victor Christian Cavendish, member of parliament for West Derbyshire, and heir apparent of the duke of Devonshire, has volunteered to go to the front.

Steamer Towed Into Port.

London, Dec. 23.—A dispatch received here says the British steamer Appomattox, Capt. Foan, which sailed from London December 16, for Newport News, passed Kinsdale Friday, bound for Queenstown, with the British steamer Nasmyth, Capt. Braithwaite, in tow. The Nasmyth sailed from New York December 3, for Manchester, and after covering more than half her voyage her shaft broke. She was then sighted and picked up by the Appomattox.

Will Not Pay Commission.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—All the roads eastbound from Chicago have signed an agreement not to pay commissions on any kind of tickets sold over their lines after January 1.

A LAWTON STATUE.

A Movement in Indiana to Erect a Monument to the Dead General's Memory

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 23.—One of the afternoon papers early Friday morning wires Mrs. Lawton: "Will you accept monument from the people of Indiana?"

Later in the morning the following reply was received from Lieut. Col. Edwards, chief of staff, acting for Mrs. Lawton, and who has been designated to bring the body to this country:

"Yes, Arlington."

It is believed from this that Mrs. Lawton has decided to have the burial at Arlington.

In addition to $950 raised in this city for Mrs. Lawton there has been subscribed already $525 toward a monument for Gen. Lawton. Bass post, G. A. R., at Fort Wayne Friday set a day for a mass meeting for popular subscriptions to the monument fund, and formulated a request to Mrs. Lawton asking that the body be buried at his old home there.

Judge R. S. Taylor, of Fort Wayne, is here. Gen. Lawton was a law student in his office after the civil war. He said: "He was the man I looked to to subdue the natives. If England had some generals like him the British soldiers would not be caught in any more Boer traps."

A call was issued Friday by the president of the Indianapolis board of trade for a meeting of the board of governors Saturday at noon when formal action on the Lawton memorial will be taken and a committee will be named to act in conjunction with the committee named by President English, of the Commercial club.

At Richmond a mass meeting was held Friday to start a movement to raise a fund for the erection of a monument to the memory of Gen. Lawton, in Indianapolis. All the G. A. R. posts of the city met Thursday night and adopted resolutions, nearly all of them voting subscriptions either to the monument or aid fund or both.

From the general interest evidenced in the two movements it is belived Indiana will raise $25,000 for the monument in a week or more and a sum over half as large will be raised for Mrs. Lawton. Three newspapers of the city are featuring the funds and devoting their first pages to their furtherance.

Walked Into the Flames.

Gallipolis, O., Dec. 23.—The roof of the two story frame house of Luke Darst, Cheshire, was discovered in flames at 1 o'clock Friday morning. Eight children were sleeping in the second story. Their father's shouts awakened the children, who came to the window. Darst shouted to them to jump, and one by one caught them in his arms as they did so. Clarence, aged 10, did not seem fully awake. When his father pleaded with him to jump the dazed boy walked straight into the flames. The roof fell immediately after.

Austin Found Guilty of Murder.

Bellefontaine, O., Dec. 23.—The jury in the Austin murder trial, after a deliberation of 13 hours, returned a verdict of guilty in the first degree on the first charge, killing his brother with an ax, and not guilty of the charges of killing his mother with a pistol, blunt or sharp instrument, with a recommendation of mercy. The prisoner heard the verdict without moving a muscle, or change of countenance. The crime charged against Austin was the slaying of his mother and brother.

The Ohio Penitentiary.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—The annual report of the penitentiary, filed Friday, shows that the institution ran $19,343 behind its earnings, but the net loss has been decreasing since 1896. Per capita cost increased from $36.95 in 1896 to $39.80 in 1899. The highest number of inmates was 2,425, and the lowest 1,892. Seventy-nine paroles were granted. Total expense of the institution was $323,436.

The Telephone Tax Case.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—The supreme court Friday perfected the record in the case of State Auditor Guilbert against the auditor of Franklin county, and it will go to the United States court. This is a case requiring the Bell telephone instruments to be taxed according to their earning capacity.

Sid Will Not Be Killed.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—"Sid," the elephant that killed Patsy Meagher, was informally tried before Lewis Sells, owner. The judge found that the animal had been made angry by cruel use of a "bull hook." "Sid" was justified and will not be killed. His past record was in his favor.

Wants $100,000 Damages.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Anna M. Murdock, of Hagerstown, Md., whose husband was formerly in business in Baltimore, began suit in the United States circuit court Friday for $100,000 damages against Charles A. Merrill, a tea merchant of Chicago. Charges of alienating the affections of her husband and inducing him to withdraw a life insurance policy, which had been made payable to her, are made by Mrs. Murdock.

BROOKE AND WOOD

A Farewell Banquet Tendered by Cubans to the Retiring Military Governor of Cuba.

NEW GOVERNOR GENERAL WELCOMED.

Gen. Brooke Escorted From the Palace to the Wharf Where He Embarks For Tampa, Fla.

Municipal Council of Havana Rejects a Motion to Send an Address of Thanks to President William McKinley.

Havana, Dec. 23.—Sixty-five persons were present at the farewell banquet tendered to Gen. Brooke Friday at the Paris restaurant. Gen. Mario Menocal presided and Mr. Ernest Lee Conant acted as toastmaster. Senor Llorente, in proposing the health of Gen. Brooke, said: "Gen. Brooke was called upon to govern Cuba under the extremely difficult conditions of transition from the old narrow system to the new, liberal regime; and he did so without injuring the rights of any one. Cubans will always remember him with gratitude and love."

Maj. Gen. Wood, who spoke briefly in response to words of welcome, said: "The United States in Cuba in the person of representatives who intend to carry out a great work and to fulfill strictly the promises of the United States congress. As for myself, I can only do what the president has sent me to do so; but I hope to enjoy the esteem and confidence of the Cuban people as Gen. Brooke has enjoyed them."

Gen. Ludlow said: "Those American officials who remain behind may count themselves fortunate if when the time comes for them to leave the island they are followed by the respect and good wishes of those whom they in turn leave behind, as Gen. Brooke is about to do. The Cubans have had no better friends than the American officers."

Gen. Brooke, responding, said in part: "I shall always remember the long hours of toil in Cuba, but I shall also ever recall the kindness shown me by all Cubans, especially by those who realize that the Americans are their best friends."

Gen. Brooke will leave Saturday for Tampa. A squadron of the 7th cavalry and a battery of the 2d artillery, with a band, will escort him from the palace to the wharf. A major general's salute will be fired from Cabanas as the steamer leaves the harbor at 3 o'clock. A governor general's salute will be fired in honor of Gen. Wood.

The Patria says: "Cubans were formerly accustomed to say that the autonomists forfeited all rights to be called Cubans by the shameless manner in which they abused their short term of office, giving all the good billets to their own kinsmen and friends. But after the shameful way in which the first revolutionary government has wound up its term of office, having made and given all the billets it could to its own friends, Cubans are forced to realize that Spanish corruption has contaminated the heart of the present generations.

At Friday's meeting of the municipal council a motion was made to send an address of thanks to President McKinley for his candid references to the Cuban people and the future of Cuba in his recent message to congress. The motion was rejected on the ground—as asserted by the principal speaker in opposition—that the message contained nothing new, but merely reiterated a former promise.

A Terrible Disaster.

Rome, Dec. 23.—A terrible disaster took place Friday afternoon at Amalfi, the popular tourist resort on the gulf of Salerno. About 2 o'clock an enormous rock, upon which stood the Cappuccini hotel, slid bodily into the sea with a deafening roar and without a moment's warning, carrying with it the hotel, the old Capuchin monastery below, the hotel Santa Calerina and several villas. Many people were buried in the debris, which crushed four vessels to the bottom of the sea, destroying their crews. The mass of earth which slipped was about 50,000 cubic yards.

Forty Children Drowned.

Brussels, Dec. 23.—Upward of 40 children were drowned Friday in an ice accident at Frelinghem, near the French frontier. The children of the district had been given a holiday, with permission to play on the frozen river Lys. When the merriment was at full height the ice broke suddenly and the children disappeared.

Fight Declared a Draw.

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 23.—The fight between Jack Stelzer and Ed Dunkhorst Friday night was declared a draw at the end of the 20th round.

Congressman Boutelle's Condition.

Boston, Dec. 23.—The condition of Congressman Boutelle was much improved Friday night and he left for Bangor, Me.

INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS.

The duke of Westminster is dead.

The quartermaster general Friday released the transport Sikh from further government service.

The steamer Etruria, sailing for Europe Saturday, will take out 606,000 ounces of silver.

Failures for the week have been 230 in the United States against 258 last year, and 26 in Canada against 31 last year.

Friday's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $291,948,262; gold reserve, $241,415,422.

The British steamer Beltisloe, Capt. Danielsen, from Philadelphia, is aground at Kallundborg. A contract has been made to float her.

David E. Weber, formerly a member of the firm of Weber Brothers, of Milwaukee, which dissolved in 1894, filed a petition in bankruptcy in New York, giving liabilities $212,850; assets none.

The Figaro warns Frenchmen against the idea that Great Britain would accept the mediation of Germany, Russia or even the United States at the present stage of the war in South Africa.

The ninth annual banquet of the New England society was held at the Denison house, Indianapolis, Friday night. One hundred persons were present. Rev. N. A. Hyde was toastmaster at the banquet.

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Money is being raised in Helena, Ark., to be sent to Washington for the fund to pay the mortgage on Gen. Lawton's home. Subscriptions have been limited to small sums and money is being received from almost every citizen in that vicinity.

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E. D. and Frank Thompson, who are charged with selling the bodies of pauper dead and who were recently convicted of conspiracy by a jury and fined $750 each, were Friday sentenced by Judge Cooper to the workhouse for a term of 11 months and 29 days at Memphis, Tenn., which is the limit of the law.

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Postmasters Appointed.

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DWIGHT L. MOODY.

the matter? What's going on here?" One of the children replied: "Father, you have not been quite so well and so we came in to see you."

A little later Mr. Moody talked quite freely to his sons, saying: "I have always been an ambitious man, not ambitious to lay up wealth, but to leave you work to do, and you're going to continue the work of the schools in East Northfield and Mt. Herman and of the Chicago Bible institute."

As the noonday hour drew near the watchers at the bedside noted the approach of death. Several times his lips moved as if in prayer, but the articulation was so faint that the words could not be heard.

The arrangements for the funeral have not as yet been fully completed but the services will be held next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Congregational church. The burial will be in the "Roundtop." This is a spot on the seminary grounds near Mr. Moody's home lot, which has become famous in connection with the summer meetings and on which hundreds of student gatherings have been held, many of them conducted by Mr. Moody himself. On this account it seemed to the family fitting that the burial should be at that spot.

Protest Against British Cruelties.

Amsterdam, Dec. 23.—A committee has been formed to draw up a protest against cruelties alleged to have been committed by the British in South Africa. A manifesto will be issued to the people of England and the continent reciting instances.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 23.—On January 1 the wages in all the various works of the Carnegie steel works in this vicinity will be increased.

Clingstone Buried.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 23.—Clingstone (2:14), the fastest trotter in the world in the 80s, was chloroformed at the Gordon stables on Thursday afternoon and was given a burial Friday. His record was made July 23, 1882, on the famous Glenville course.

Personally Appealed to Judges.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—Miss Mollie D. Nolan, one of the sisters dismissed from the Cincinnati schools on a charge of unladylike conduct, personally appealed to the supreme court judges to rehear her suit against Michael Kane, who preferred the charges, for $10,000 damages. She was refused.

For Clerk of the House.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—The announcement of the candidacy of Harry S. Griffith, of Mt. Gilead, for clerk of the house, is accepted as equivalent to an edict from Senator Hanna that neither McElroy, Bell nor Goldenbogen will do. Griffith was at the head of the speakers' bureau in the recent campaign.

An Unruly Convict.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—Tom Hale, Cincinnati man serving a life sentence for assault, fought with Gus Roth, foreman of the stamp shop, Friday, landing several times on Roth's face. He was "paddled" and will not be allowed to join in the Christmas festivities.

Father Spoiled An Elopement.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—On instructions from William Carlisle, a Mt. Gilead banker, the police Friday morning arrested Scott Coile, aged 20, of Sparta, and Madge Trimmer, 16, of Mt. Liberty, as they got off a train. Carlisle said the couple were eloping to Kentucky.

Burglars at Westville.

Springfield, O., Dec. 23.—Burglars blew open the safe at a store at Westville and secured considerable goods. They then stole three horses and escaped. Thieves also stole Robert Elliott's horse and Henry Wildman's wagon at Selma.

THE BOER'S TRAP.

Gen. Buller's Disastrous Repulse at Chievely Attributed to a Mistake of Col. Long.

ARTILLERY TOO CLOSE TO THE RIVER.

Estimated Casualties in the Repulse is 1,150 Including 332 Missing—Two Companies Captured.

Belated South African Dispatches Throw No Light On the Present Situation at the Seat of War.

London, Dec. 23.—Belated South African dispatches throw no light upon the present situation at the seat of war. There is no confirmation of the report that Ladysmith could hold out several weeks longer, and it is feared that this was circulated by the Boers for their own purposes.

A Cape Town dispatch, dated Sunday December 17, reports that Commandant Diedericks, of the Boer forces, was killed in a recent engagement, but no details are given. Advices from Naauwpoort indicate everything is quiet there, and the only fresh news from Arundel concerns the weather, which is excessively hot.

The Daily Telegraph has a special from Chievely, dated December 16, which tells how Lieut. Roberts, son of Lord Roberts, fell at Tugela river. It says:

"The horses of the 14th and 66th batteries had been killed and lieutenant Roberts Capt. Schofield and Capt. Congreve, of the rifles, attempted with gunner volunteers, to drag out the guns. Capt. Schofield succeeded, helped by a corporal and some men. Lieut. Roberts was hit by a shell. Capt. Congreve was struck and wounded slightly. After a while Capt. Congreve, Capt. Foster and Maj Baptie brought Lieut. Roberts from the open into a little ravine, where he lay hidden from the enemy's terrible fire.

Fourteen gunners, 16 men of the Devonshire regiment and — men were with Col. Bullock. When the retirement was ordered these men, with isolated parties of Devonshires and Scots Fusileers, together with some of the Queens, were cut off and captured. Many fought until late in the afternoon, a part of the Irishmen running the gauntlet of the Boer Mausers from hiding places along the river bank.

"At 5 p. m. 40 Boers approached the abandoned guns. On espying Col. Bullock, Capt. Congreve and the others in the ravine they called upon the British to surrender. Col. Bullock declined, and threatened to shoot although his party had only 14 rifles. The Boers retired from the guns and a parley ensued. Then 100 Boers rode up within a few yards of the party, but Col. Bullock swore he would not be made a prisoner, whereupon a Boer knocked him down with his rifle butt.

"Afterward the enemy gave our wounded water and cordials. Then, having taken all their arms, ammunition and field glasses, they let them return by our ambulances. Col. Bullock, Col. Hunt, Maj. Waller and Capt Goodwin were taken prisoners. The Scots fusileers lost nearly two companies captured."

A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Chievely, dated December 17, estimates the casualties in Gen. Bullock's repulse as 1,150, including 332 missing. It announces that a portion of the British troops have returned to Frere.

The Chievely correspondent of the Standard, who attributes the whole disaster involved in Gen. Buller's repulse to the mistake of Col. Long in taking the artillery too close to the river, says:

"Col. Long fired for 90 minutes and simply exhausted his ammunition."

Lord Kitchener will join Lord Roberts at Gibraltar. The earl of Erroll, hereditary lord high constable of Scotland, will accompany the commander-in-chief in special service. The earl of Derby is raising a corps of volunteers in Lancashire. Mr. Victor Christian Cavendish, member of parliament for West Derbyshire, and heir apparent of the duke of Devonshire, has volunteered to go to the front.

Steamer Towed Into Port.

London, Dec. 23.—A dispatch received here says the British steamer Appomattox, Capt. Foall, which sailed from London December 16, for Newport News, passed Kinsdale Friday, bound for Queenstown, with the British steamer Nasmyth, Capt. Braithwaite, in tow. The Nasmyth sailed from New York December 3, for Manchester, and after covering more than half her voyage her shaft broke. She was then sighted and picked up by the Appomattox.

Will Not Pay Commission.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—All the roads eastbound from Chicago have signed an agreement not to pay commissions on any kind of tickets sold over their lines after January 1.

A LAWTON STATUE.

A Movement in Indiana to Erect a Monument to the Dead General's Memory.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 23.—One of the afternoon papers early Friday morning wires Mrs. Lawton: "Will you accept monument from the people of Indiana?"

Later in the morning the following reply was received from Lieut. Col. Edwards, chief of staff, acting for Mrs. Lawton, and who has been designated to bring the body to this country:

"Yes, Arlington."

It is believed from this that Mrs. Lawton has decided to have the burial at Arlington.

In addition to $950 raised in this city for Mrs. Lawton there has been subscribed already $525 toward a monument for Gen. Lawton. Bass post, G. A. R., at Fort Wayne Friday set a day for a mass meeting for popular subscriptions to the monument fund, and formulated a request to Mrs. Lawton asking that the body be buried at his old home there.

Judge R. S. Taylor, of Fort Wayne, is here. Gen. Lawton was a law student in his office after the civil war. He said: "He was the man I looked to to subdue the natives. If England had some generals like him the British soldiers would not be caught in any more Boer traps."

A call was issued Friday by the president of the Indianapolis board of trade for a meeting of the board of governors Saturday at noon when formal action on the Lawton memorial will be taken and a committee will be named to act in conjunction with the committee named by President English, of the Commercial club.

At Richmond a mass meeting was held Friday to start a movement to raise a fund for the erection of a monument to the memory of Gen. Lawton, in Indianapolis. All the G. A. R. posts of the city met Thursday night and adopted resolutions, nearly all of them voting subscriptions either to the monument or aid fund or both.

From the general interest evidenced in the two movements it is belived Indiana will raise $25,000 for the monument in a week or more and a sum over half as large will be raised for Mrs. Lawton. Three newspapers of the city are featuring the funds and devoting their first pages to their furtherance.

Walked Into the Flames.

Gallipolis, O., Dec. 23.—The roof of the two story frame house of Luke Darst, Cheshire, was discovered in flames at 1 o'clock Friday morning. Eight children were sleeping in the second story. Their father's shouts awakened the children, who came to the window. Darst shouted to them to jump, and one by one caught them in his arms as they did so. Clarence, aged 10, did not seem fully awake. When his father pleaded with him to jump the dazed boy walked straight into the flames. The roof fell immediately after.

Austin Found Guilty of Murder.

Bellefontaine, O., Dec. 23.—The jury in the Austin muredr trial, after a deliberation of 13 hours, returned a verdict of guilty in the first degree on the first charge, killing his brother with an ax, and not guilty of the charges of killing his mother with a pistol, blunt or sharp instrument, with a recommendation of mercy. The prisoner heard the verdict without moving a muscle, or change of countenance. The crime charged against Austin was the slaying of his mother and brother.

The Ohio Penitentiary.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—The annual report of the penitentiary, filed Friday, shows that the institution ran $19,343 behind its earnings, but the net loss has been decreasing since 1896. Per capita cost increased from $36.95 in 1896 to $39.80 in 1899. The highest number of inmates was 2,425, and the lowest 1,892. Seventy-nine paroles were granted. Total expense of the institution was $323,436.

The Telephone Tax Case.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—The supreme court Friday perfected the record in the case of State Auditor Guilbert against the auditor of Franklin county, and it will go to the United States court. This is a case requiring the Bell telephone instruments to be taxed according to their earning capacity.

Sid Will Not Be Killed.

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—"Sid," the elephant that killed Patsy Meagher, was informally tried before Lewis Sells, owner. The judge found that the animal had been made angry by cruel use of a "bull hook." "Sid" was justified and will not be killed. His past record was in his favor.

Wants $100,000 Damages.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Anna M. Murdock, of Hagerstown, Md., whose husband was formerly in business in Baltimore, began suit in the United States circuit court Friday for $100,000 damages against Charles A. Merrill, a tea merchant of Chicago. Charges of alienating the affections of her husband and inducing him to withdraw a life insurance policy, which had been made payable to her, are made by Mrs. Murdock.

BROOKE AND WOOD

A Farewell Banquet Tendered by Cubans to the Retiring Military Governor of Cuba.

NEW GOVERNOR GENERAL WELCOMED.

Gen. Brooke Escorted From the Palace to the Wharf Where He Embarks For Tampa, Fla.

Municipal Council of Havana Rejects a Motion to Send an Address of Thanks to President William McKinley.

Havana, Dec. 23.—Sixty-five persons were present at the farewell banquet tendered to Gen. Brooke Friday at the Paris restaurant. Gen. Mario Menocal presided and Mr. Ernest Lee Conant acted as toastmaster. Senor Llorente, in proposing the health of Gen. Brooke, said: "Gen. Brooke was called upon to govern Cuba under the extremely difficult conditions of transition from the old narrow system to the new, liberal regime; and he did so without injuring the rights of any one. Cubans will always remember him with gratitude and love."

Maj. Gen. Wood, who spoke briefly in response to words of welcome, said: "The United States in Cuba in the person of representatives who intend to carry out a great work and to fulfill strictly the promises of the United States congress. As for myself, I can only do what the president has sent me to do so; but I hope to enjoy the esteem and confidence of the Cuban people as Gen. Brooke has enjoyed them."

Gen. Ludlow said: "Those American officials who remain behind may count themselves fortunate if when the time comes for them to leave the island they are followed by the respect and good wishes of those whom they in turn leave behind, as Gen. Brooke is about to do. The Cubans have had no better friends than the American officers."

Gen. Brooke, responding, said in part: "I shall always remember the long hours of toil in Cuba, but I shall also ever recall the kindness shown me by all Cubans, especially by those who realize that the Americans are their best friends."

Gen. Brooke will leave Saturday for Tampa. A squadron of the 7th cavalry and a battery of the 2d artillery, with a band, will escort him from the palace to the wharf. A major general's salute will be fired from Cabanas as the steamer leaves the harbor at 3 o'clock. A governor general's salute will be fired in honor of Gen. Wood.

The Patria says: "Cubans were formerly accustomed to say that the autonomists forfeited all rights to be called Cubans by the shameless manner in which they abused their short term of office, giving all the good billets to their own kinsmen and friends. But after the shameful way in which the first revolutionary government has wound up its term of office, having made and given all the billets it could to its own friends, Cubans are forced to realize that Spanish corruption has contaminated the heart of the present generations.

At Friday's meeting of the municipal council a motion was made to send an address of thanks to President McKinley for his candid references to the Cuban people and the future of Cuba in his recent message to congress. The motion was rejected on the ground—as asserted by the principal speaker in opposition—that the message contained nothing new, but merely reiterated a former promise.

A Terrible Disaster.

Rome, Dec. 23.—A terrible disaster took place Friday afternoon at Amalfi, the popular tourist resort on the gulf of Salerno. About 2 o'clock an enormous rock, upon which stood the Cappuccini hotel, slid bodily into the sea with a deafening roar and without a moment's warning, carrying with it the hotel, the old Capuchin monastery below, the hotel Santa Calerina and several villas. Many people were buried in the debris, which crushed four vessels to the bottom of the sea, destroying their crews. The mass of earth which slipped was about 50,000 cubic yards.

Forty Children Drowned.

Brussels, Dec. 23.—Upward of 40 children were drowned Friday in an ice accident at Frelinghem, near the French frontier. The children of the district had been given a holiday, with permission to play on the frozen river Lys. When the merriment was at full height the ice broke suddenly and the children disappeared.

Fight Declared a Draw.

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 23.—The fight between Jack Stelzer and Ed Dunkhorst Friday night was declared a draw at the end of the 20th round.

Congressman Boutelle's Condition.

Boston, Dec. 23.—The condition of Congressman Boutelle was much improved Friday night and he left for Bangor, Me.

INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS.

The duke of Westminster is dead.

The quartermaster general Friday released the transport Sikh from further government service.

The steamer Etruria, sailing for Europe Saturday, will take out 606,000 ounces of silver.

Failures for the week have been 229 in the United States against 258 last year, and 26 in Canada against 31 last year.

Friday's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $291,948,262; gold reserve, $241,415,422.

The British steamer Beltisloe, Capt. Danielsen, from Philadelphia, is aground at Kallundborg. A contract has been made to float her.

David E. Weber, formerly a member of the firm of Weber Brothers, of Milwaukee, which dissolved in 1894, filed a petition in bankruptcy in New York, giving liabilities $212,850; assets none.

The Figaro warns Frenchmen against the idea that Great Britain would accept the mediation of Germany, Russia or even the United States at the present stage of the war in South Africa.

The ninth annual banquet of the New England society was held at the Denison house, Indianapolis, Friday night. One hundred persons were present. Rev. N. A. Hyde was toastmaster at the banquet.

Terry McGovern, of New York, defeated Harry Forbes, of Chicago, in the second round, before the new Broadway athletic club, New York, Friday night. The men met for a 25-round bout at 118 pounds.

Money is being raised in Helena, Ark., to be sent to Washington for the fund to pay the mortgage on Gen. Lawton's home. Subscriptions have been limited to small sums and money is being received from almost every citizen in that vicinity.

A contract was signed Friday transferring all copyrights, title and subscription lists of Demorest's magazine to Robert Bonner's Sons. Demorest's magazine will be discontinued, and the fashion and pattern departments, half minute talks and world's progress, will be continued in the Ledger monthly.

E. D. and Frank Thompson, who are charged with selling the bodies of pauper dead and who were recently convicted of conspiracy by a jury and fined $750 each, were Friday sentenced by Judge Cooper to the workhouse for a term of 11 months and 29 days at Memphis, Tenn., which is the limit of the law.

A Riot in Newport News, Va.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 23.—A mob of Negros, 1,000 strong, attempted to take a prisoner away from two policemen in the Negro quarter of the city Friday. The officers fired into the Negroes, wounding two. The blacks assaulted the policemen with sticks and stones and the entire police force was called out, preventing further trouble. The trouble grew out of the killing of a notorious Negro burglar Thursday night by Sam White, Sam Jacobs and Abe Levin, white men.

Took Too Much Morphine.

Bridgeport, O., Dec. 23.—Charles Branum son of a wealthy wholesale grocer, died early Friday morning in a Wheeling resort from an overdose of morphine. His family are leaders in society.

Middletown Man Gone.

Middletown, O., Dec. 23.—Daniel Collins mysteriously disappeared from his home, south of this city, two weeks ago. He left his wife and family in destitute circumstances. It is feared he has committed suicide.

Lost Barge Found.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 23.—Barge 115, which was lost a week ago last Wednesday, on Lake Superior, is reported found. It is not known whether the crew of nine is safe or not.

Postmasters Appointed.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The following fourth-class postmasters for Ohio were commissioned Friday: Bethesda, L. S. Thompson; Riggs, Ida B. Cadle.

Lost a Propeller.

London, Dec. 23.—The British steamer Vulcan, Capt. Nailo, arrived at Hamberg December 18 from Galveston and Norfolk via Fayal, where she was towed in with loss of propeller, has had a fire in her hold which has been smouldering, and 70 bales of cotton have been damaged.

THE MARKETS.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.

FLOUR—Spring fancy, $3.00@3.25; spring family, $2.90@3.00; spring patent, $3.75@4.00; winter fancy, $3.00@3.15; winter family, $2.25@2.70; winter patent, $3.25@3.60; extra, $2.00@2.25; low grade, $1.75@1.95; northwestern rye, $2.85@3.10; do city, $3.10@3.15.

WHEAT—Sales: No. 2 red, track, 70c.

HOGS—Select shippers, $4.20; select butchers, $4.12@4.15; fair to good packers, $4.10@4.15; fair to good light, $3.95@4.05; common and roughs, $3.60@4.00.

CATTLE—Fair to good shippers, $4.60@5.35; good to choice butchers, $4.25@4.75; fair to medium butchers, $3.40@4.00; common, $2.75@3.25; SHEEP—Extras, $3.65@3.85; good to choice, $3.00@3.60; common to fair, $2.00@2.75.

LAMBS—Extras, $5.15@5.35; good to choice, $4.75@5.10; common to fair, $3.55@4.05.

VEAL CALVES—Fair to good light, $6.25@6.75; common and large, $4.50@6.00.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.

WHEAT—December, 66½c; May, 69⅝@69¾c; July, 70¼c.

CORN—December, 30½c; January, 30½c; May, [illegible]

OATS—December, 23½c; May, [illegible]

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A COSTLY WEIGHT.

Used by a Lawyer in South Carolina—Its History.

Its Original Owner Gave $12,000 for It—Bought It for a Gold Brick. But It Proved to Be Brass.

The leading member of the bar in Spartanburg, S. C., has recently attracted a great deal of attention by using an extraordinary hitching block for his handsome trotters, and, as by degrees the story of the cube of yellow metal that he attaches to his horses' bits by a golden chain when he stops on the street has become known, the interest has increased.

The history of the horse block that cost $12,000 necessarily carries with it a story of how the man credited with being the shrewdest bargainer and best financier in that section was victimized by an extraordinarily clever fellow, who was ably seconded by a North Carolina jeweler. S. T. McCravey is a lawyer who has added this unique block to the equipment of his fine driving horses. He obtained it several months ago when the estate of John T. Cantrell, of Spartanburg, was settled, he being the family lawyer. Mr. Cantrell had succeeded during his life in keeping the matter a secret.

The old gentleman dreaded having it known that any man had gotten the best of him. He lived a long life in Spartanburg, and by frugality and acute business sense amassed a handsome fortune. One day a man of pleasant address dropped into town with messages for Cantrell from a kinsman who years before had gone to the Pacific coast and had made a fortune in gold mining. Cantrell had the gold fever; he loved the looks of it, and wanted to have some around him. When the visitor informed him that he had a block he was willing to sell the old man went with him to another city to have the gold tested. The jeweler bored down into the block, which weighed over 50 pounds, and showed Cantrell that the shavings were all gold. They returned to Spartanburg, and Cantrell, having only $12,000 in cash, paid that over, took the block of gold, giving his I. O. U. for $2,000 more, which was to be paid within a week. The former owner of the block failing to come for his money, suspicion was aroused. Another jeweler tested the block and found it brass. It was coated with gold, and had a plug of real metal set in, which the first jeweler had bored through.

This happened four years ago, and Mr. Cantrell kept the "brick" in his home till he died—a reminder of his one folly. Lawyer McCravey uses only half of the block, all of it being too heavy.

SCIENTIST WINS NEW HONORS.

The Paris Academy of Sciences Awards Its Medal of Honor to Prof. W. R. Brooks.

Dr. William R. Brooks, director of Smith observatory, Geneva, N. Y., has just been awarded by the Paris Academy of Sciences the Grand Lalande prize for his numerous and brilliant astronomical discoveries. The prize is a gold medal worth 500 francs.

Prof. Brooks is the king of comet finders. His total is 20, and he has five times been awarded the comet medal of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific. Eleven of the comets he discovered with a telescope of his own construction, even to the grinding and polishing of the lenses. He has been awarded over $1,000 in prizes, and has received numerous medals. Prof. Brooks was born in 1844 in Maidstone, England, the son of a Baptist minister. With his parents he came to this country in 1857, settling in Darien, N. Y. He has been an ardent student of astronomy since he was 13 years old. The Royal Astronomical Society for the Advancement of Science has elected him to fellowship, and he is a member of the Liverpool and British Astronomical societies. Hobart college gave him the degree of M. A.

In person Prof. Brooks is of medium stature, wears a well-kept full beard, with hair combed backward, disclosing a fine forehead, and dresses in a semi-clerical garb. He is refined in appearance, an entertaining lecturer and a genial conversationalist. He married at 26.

GIVES LIFE TO SAVE A SOUL.

A Kentucky Man's Prayer Is Followed by His Death and a Conversion.

A private letter from eastern Kentucky tells of a peculiar incident in Wolfe county. Frank Miller was at the point of death after a long illness. His brother John was offering up a prayer for him, having come to realize that death was near at hand. In the course of his prayer John Miller said: "O Lord, I am willing to give my life, if it be required, to save my brother," and a moment later John Miller had fallen dead. His brother died the night of the same day and the two were buried in the same grave. The brother's prayer was answered, as Frank Miller shortly before his death confessed faith in the Lord.

Royal Embroidery.

A new kind of embroidery used by fashionable dressmakers is said to be the invention of the queen of Madagascar. It is of many colors, on a dark ground, and it appears to meet with great approval from searchers after novelty.

KITES FOR WAR SIGNALS.

William A. Eddy, After Experimenting, Believes He Has Arrived at Satisfactory Results.

While pursuing his experiments in kite flying, at Bayonne, N. J., William A. Eddy has arrived at a result which he believes can be made serviceable in war signaling aloft. According to Mr. Eddy, in his latest experiment, in which he sent aloft electric light drawn from the surrounding atmosphere, he has achieved a result hitherto unknown. It was at Bayonne that the experiment was conducted. At 7:40 o'clock a steady electric light emanating from a clear sky and without a battery, friction machine or dynamo, began to glow at the earth, and five minutes later it was paid out upward to a height of about 400 feet, where it remained for about half an hour. It was then hauled in for the purpose of changing the spark gap. This sparking apparatus operated by Mr. Eddy was suspended from a steel wire sustained aloft by one kite six feet in diameter, the wire being attached directly to the kite, which carried it upward without other cable or flying line.

Big Socialist Gathering Next Year.

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The Sticky Experience of a Prowling Tramp in an Indiana Farmhouse.

A funny incident is reported from Chester township, Wabash county, wherein a tramp received unsought baptism in a vat of sorghum molasses. At the home of J. R. Horning there is a shaft which extends from the second floor of the farm residence to the cellar. During the absence of the family a night or two ago a tramp entered the dwelling, and while prowling around the second floor fell into the open shaft and tumbled down two flights. At the base of the opening in the cellar stood a vat of sorghum molasses, into which the Weary Willy plunged. He was not seriously hurt, though considerably dazed by the tumble, but was covered from head to foot with the saccharine material, a liberal quantity of which splashed over the walls. His trampship crawled off to the hay mow and spent the night, and when discovered next day, decorated with the tell-tale sorghum, explained that he was drunk and wandered into the house by mistake. The family cleaned him up and sent him on his way.

Moral Suasion.

Old Gentleman—Do you mean to say that your teachers never thrash you?

Little Boy—Never! We have moral suasion at our school.

"What's that?"

"Oh, we get kep' in, and stood up in corners, and locked out, and locked in, and made to write one word a thousand times, and scowled at, and jawed at, and that's all."—Collier's Weekly.

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LACK ARTILLERISTS.

Enough Men to Care for Guns But Not Enough to Man Them.

Fortifications Along the Pacific Coast in Good Condition—Gen. Miles Thinks United States Army Should Be Larger.

Gen. Miles, who has just returned from a long tour of inspection in the far west and south, says:

"The fortifications along the Pacific coast and the gulf are in very good condition. The engineers have done good work. While the harbors are only partly protected, it would not be safe for a hostile battleship or fleet to enter them now. None of the harbors is completely fortified. The four great harbors of the Pacific coast at which defensive works are being erected are Puget sound, the mouth of the Columbia river, San Francisco and San Diego.

"There are only enough artillerists stationed on the coast to take care of the guns—not enough to man them. The guns are great pieces of machinery and require very skilled artillerists to take care of them and to handle them. More artillery is needed along the entire coast of 4,000 miles, including the Atlantic, Pacific and gulf.

"The garrisons were not sufficiently strong at the posts I visited. This is due to the fact that most of the army is out of the country at present. Congress authorized a regular army of 65,000 men and 35,000 men for the existing emergency. For a good many years I have been in favor of one soldier for every thousand of our people. I think 65,000 men should be skilled in the modern art of war and the use of modern appliances. That would be a very small number as compared with other armies of the world, but yet sufficiently large to keep abreast of the improvements in warfare which are being made.

"Of course, the size of the army should be commensurate with the population and wealth and position of the government. A country like Mexico would not require an army as large as that of Germany or Russia. Our country is nearly twice the size of Germany or France, and a small force of comparatively skilled, educated, trained soldiers would not only be wise and judicious, but would be in the interest of safety and good administration."

Far up in the military masts of the battleship Kentucky two jackies perched and sang a midnight serenade as the ship swung down East river from the navy yard the other night on her way to Tompkinsville.

On the Brooklyn bridge the trolley cars had come to a standstill owing to an accident, and hundreds of passengers alighted, and peering through the guard rails saw the oncoming battleship, and many observed that her tall military masts reached nearly to the flooring of the bridge. They did not know her name, however, and a passenger put his hands to his mouth and shouted in sailor fashion:

"Ship-ahoy, ahoy."

Scarcely had the cry been given when back came the reply:

"Ahoy, my hearties. We're the Kentucky, seaward bound, and—

"'She was bred in old Kentucky,
Where the meadow grass is blue,
There's the sunshine of the country
In her face and manner too.'

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Total Premiums Paid,	$2,924.25	$2,931.75	$2,931.75
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Accumulated Surplus,	$1,214.98	$ 674.00	$ 702.75
Guaranteed Value,	2,354.40	2,354.40	2,373.79
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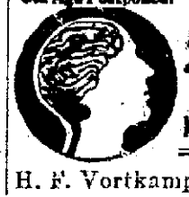

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[Church notices must be handed in before night to insure publication in this column.]

Union Street Lutheran church—Sunday school at 9:15 a m. Morning services at 10:15. The pastor will preach Christmas sermons in German and English. At 7 p m the Sunday school will render a Christmas service. A cordial invitation to all. Strangers welcome. Carl Ackerman, pastor.

Grace M E Sunday school and church services will be combined on Sabbath morning and the exercises will begin at 9:30 a m Each officer and teacher is to be present at 9 a m and the seats will be assigned by classes The classes of children under 15 years of age will participate in the morning services and the older ones at night. In the evening at 7 p m the church will be open for all and seats will be reserved for each member of the school. An excellent Concert "Christ in Song" will be rendered.

St Pauls Lutheran Church—Corner west North and Elizabeth streets, Rev F P Bossart pastor. Sunday school at 9 a m. Services at 10:15 p m Luther League devotional meeting at 6:15 p m. Christmas celebration by the Sunday school with treat and Christmas tree in the church at 7 p m. There will be Divine services on Christmas Day at 10:15 a m. The seats are free and all are welcome.

North Jefferson street Church—Sunday school 2:15 p m; Preaching by Rev Kerr at 3 p m. Tuesday evening at 7 p m regular Christmas services will be held and a program rendered.

U B church corner of Spring and Union streets—Sunday school at 9 a m; Preaching at 10 a m, subject, The Consolation of Israel. Jr. Y. P. C U. 2 p m; Preaching at 7 p m, subject, "The Announcement." A Christmas entertainment, Monday at 7 p m; devotional services, Thursday at 7 p m.

South side Church of Christ corner Central avenue and Kibby street Rev Clarence Mitchell pastor—Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock Rev Clarence Mitchell will use the theme, "The World's Christ;" Sunday evening at 7 o'clock this church will give their Christmas entertainment. It will be a "Cantata" of high order. Santa Claus will be present with an old fashioned house and old time fireplace. He will have a nice treat for the Sunday school. This entertainment will have a chanty feature. Each person is requested to bring some gift for the poor of our city; a committee will receive these and see that they are wisely distributed; services will be held up stairs in the auditorium; S. S. at 9:15 a m; Junior Endeavor at 2:30 p m; Senior Endeavor at 6 p m; all services up stairs in the new auditorium. Everybody invited.

International S. S. Lesson.

[Specially Arranged from Peloubet's Notes.]

GOLDEN TEXT.—Unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.—Luke 2: 11.

READ Isaiah 11: 1-16.

TIME.—Probably written during the reign of Ahaz in Judah, "during the Syro-Ephraimitish war, B. C. 735-734."—Driver.

PLACE.—It was delivered in Jerusalem, the prophet's home, to Judah, the prophet's people. Jerusalem was about 100 miles from Egypt, 45 from Samaria, 150 from Damascus, and 350 from the Euphrates, the border of Assyria.—George Adams Smith.

I. An Outlook Upon the People Walking in Darkness.—V. 2. The prophecy of which this lesson is a part begins with chap. 7:1. Israel and Judah were nearing a great political crisis. The final destruction of Israel was only 14 or 15 years in the future, and the forces which wrought that terrible disaster were actively at work, like the breaking of a dam high up among the mountains, whence the waters were rolling down in swift disaster. V. 2. "The people that walked in darkness:" The people of Judah at this time were under the two-fold darkness described above. "The land of the shadow of death:" "Deadly shade, properly a title of the Hebrew Hades; a night like that of Hades."—Cheyne.

II. A Vision of Dawning Light.—Vs. 2-5. "Have seen a great light:" There came to Judah in Ahaz's time the light of great promises. V. 3. "Thou hast multiplied the nation:" So he saw it as he looked upon it in later days. "And not:" Most interpreters think, with the R. V., that the "not" should be "to it," the Hebrew letters being very nearly the same, and some transcriber made a mistake. In this case the whole sentence is a prophecy of the good times referred in V. 2. "They joy before thee:" the giver of the joy. "According to the joy in harvest:" when men see the fruits of their labors and promise of plenty. They had sown in tears, but reap in joy. "As men rejoice when they divide the spoil:" triumphant over enemies and rich in goods. V. 4. "For thou hast broken the yoke of his burden:" First, of the Assyrians, who had "stretched out their wings" — great armies, and oppressed the land. Second, the yoke of sin, the oppressor Satan. "The staff of his shoulder:" That part of the yoke which rested on the back of the neck and shoulders. "As in the day of Midian:" (Judg. 7:1-23). A total rout, by a small body of selected men, by unusual means, through God's help, as when Gideon with 300 men, armed with lamps, pitchers, and trumpets, completely overthrew the immense host of the Midianites. V. 5. "For every battle:" etc. Read as in R. V. The old version misses the full sense and mars the exquisite beauty of this verse.

III. A Vision of the Coming of the Son of God.—V. 6. "For unto us a child is born:" Only through this child can war cease, and Israel's redemption be made permanent. "The prophet is unrolling a picture of the future."—Cheyne. "The government shall be upon His shoulder:" That is, He should be the ruler, the king. "And His name:" A name stands for all that is in the man, his character, his principles, and his property. "Wonderful:" because His nature was wonderful, being human and divine; His coming at all was a wonderful manifestation of love; His deeds were wonderful, miracles, full of marvelous meaning as well as power; His words were wonderful; His atoning love was wonderful; the kingdom He set up was wonderful. "Counsellor:" One who has the wisdom to guide himself and others. Jesus was the embodiment of the wisdom of God. "The mighty God:" The word for "God" here is not the usual Elohim, which is sometimes used metaphorically, as for angels, as we use "divine:" but it is El, "which, whenever it denotes (as it generally does, and in Isaiah always) divinity, does so in an absolute sense; it is never used hyperbolically or metaphorically."—Cheyne. "The everlasting Father:" expressing the divine love and pity for men, a love that can never fail, for it is everlasting. "The Prince of Peace:" The prince who rules in such a way that peace and prosperity abide in his kingdom. Peace is used to express all the blessings that come to a kingdom where there is peace from outward enemies, peace between rulers, peace between the different members of the kingdom; no disorders, no idleness, no criminals. A poetical description is given in Isa. 11:2-10.

IV. A Vision of the New Kingdom of God.—V. 7. "Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end:" It shall increase in numbers, in power. "Upon the throne of David, on which Jesus sits:" All these blessings come from His rule in the hearts of men and in the community. "To order it:" govern, manage, rule it. "Establish it:" make it firm and enduring. "With judgment:" just decisions, and "justice:" all manner of right between all classes and all individuals. "From henceforth even forever:" Only such a kingdom can endure. "The zeal of the Lord:" His earnestness, the intensity of His desire. "The Lord of hosts:" who has all created beings, the unseen multitudes of angels, the forces of nature, all organized like an army—a host—to do His will.

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Suicided By Shooting.

New York, Dec. 22.—Winslow Robinson, a wealthy resident of Stapleton, S. I., died at his home there Thursday night from a pistol shot wound inflicted an hour before. The police have reported the case as one of suicide. The family claim it was accidental shooting. Mr. Robinson had been in poor health for a long time.

Shot Himself Through the Heart.

New York, Dec. 22.—Edward G. Williams, 51 years old, formerly a manufacturer of mechanical and iron toys, committed suicide in a Brooklyn hotel Thursday by shooting himself through the heart because of business and family troubles.

Bishop of Porto Rico at San Juan.

San Juan de Porto Rico, Dec. 22.—Archbishop Barnado, of Santiago, and Very Rev. James H. Blenk, formerly of New Orleans, recently appointed bishop of Porto Rico, arrived here Thursday on the steamer Maria Herrera.

Elected Rear Commodore.

London, Dec. 22.—Sir Thomas Lipton has been unanimously elected rear commodore of the Royal Ulster Yacht club.

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Street Car Dynamited.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 22.—A street car on the Consolidated line was dynamited Thursday night, presumably by strikers. The car was blown off the track and completely wrecked. No passengers were aboard and the motorman or conductor were not injured.

Death of Gen. James M. Lewis.

St. Louis, Dec. 22.—Gen. James M. Lewis, a well known attorney, ex-vice president of the board of police commissioners and former adjutant general of the state of Missouri, died at his home in this city Thursday night of peritonitis, aged 41 years. Gen. Lewis had been ill only a few days.

Killed By a Girl.

Natick, Mass., Dec. 22.—Lewis Perry, aged 33, a Spanish war veteran, was shot and killed Thursday by Miss Lizzie Morse, at her home in West Natick. Four shots were fired, two of them taking effect, one in the heart. Perry attempted to force his way into the house.

Chicago Pool-Rooms Closed.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Between 30 and 40 pool-rooms, besides a score or more hand-books, were closed by order of Chief of Police Kipley Thursday.

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Subscribers who fail to receive their paper will confer a favor by reporting to this office either by postal card or telephone.

The News solicits from its readers communications on discussing pertinent questions.

WATSON'S WEATHER.

The weather man promises anything but a white Christmas. He says rain to night and to morrow.

NO PAPER MONDAY

The News will publish no paper Monday. The regular edition will be sent out tomorrow morning.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Walter Morris is home from Gambier college.

Susan Humston returned from New Knoxville, Ill., today.

George Taylor is home from school at Adelbert college, Cleveland

Miss Eva Scott, of Delphos, is the guest of Mr H A Moore and wife.

Miles Standish is home from college for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Thomas Clevinger, of Montpelier, Ind., is visiting friends here.

Miss Lulu Fredricks returned last night from a visit in Indianapolis.

Miss Madge Ewing has returned from Wm st Lane, Germantown, Pa.

Mrs H Anderson went to Dayton today to spend the holidays with her son.

Warren and Thomas McLaughlin are home from college to spend the holidays.

P M Ireland of Lima, was in the city yesterday on business.—Sunday Republican.

Mrs B F Price, of New Hagerstown, is the guest of her son, Willard M Price, and wife.

E V Reimden and family, of Delaware, are the guests of Mr and Mrs Wm Cochran.

E W Page and wife, of Cambridge, O, are guests of Mr and Mrs J P Bourquin.

Ed Halliday and family will arrive from Chicago today to visit their friends.

Herbert A Thomas returned last night from Adelbert College Cleveland for the holidays.

H R Slocum left yesterday for Washington, Ind, to spend the holidays with his family.

Dr E J Brown and wife, of Columbus, are spending Christmas with their sister Mrs C E Rupe.

Mr and Mrs J K Knisley, of Toledo, are spending Christmas with Harry Knisley and family.

Miss Esther Wheeler arrived home yesterday morning from St. Mary's school, Knoxville, Tenn.

J M McVey returned last night from Cleveland, where he was called by the death of his mother.

Col Brand Whitlock and wife, of Toledo, are the guests of his father, Rev Whitlock and family.

Tom Sullivan, of Monroe, La., a brother of county clerk M J Sullivan is home to spend Christmas.

Mr D A Merring and grandaughter Bessie left this morning for Buffalo N Y to spend the holidays.

Miss Lena Sanford, who has been at school in New York city, came home yesterday to spend her vacation.

Attorney W T Copeland went to St. Johns yesterday, called there on account of the illness of his mother.

Miss Della Hadsell returned home last night from her school at Frankford, Ind., to spend the holidays.

Mr and Mrs Heddings, of Montpelier, Ind., are visiting the latter's parents, Mr and Mrs Ross Dalzell, of west North street.

Charley and Harry Durnbaugh are home from Rochester, N. Y., to spend Christmas with their parents on north Main street.

Mrs Dr Arter has returned from a visit in the east and is making her home at 213 north Elizabeth street.

Albert G Vandenbroek, the tobacconist, is slowly recovering from a severe attack of stomach and liver trouble.

Dr. Thomas Moore, of Roxanna, Mich, is the guest of his parents, H A Moore and wife, during the holidays.

Mr and Mrs James Langan left yesterday for Chattanooga, Tenn, to spend the holidays with their son, Harry.

L H Beall, jr., is home from the Denison University to spend Christmas with his parents at 923 St John avenue.

Mr E F Kerman and wife will leave in a few days for an extended visit with friends and relatives in Dayton and Hamilton.

Mrs Chas Atkins and daughter Ethel accompanied by Miss Gemmill are the guests of Mrs James Benson of Columbus, Ohio.

Harry Martin went to Lima, Thursday where he will remain until after the holiday with relatives and friends. —Muncie, Ind. Star.

Bernard E and J H A O'Connor, who are attending St Gregory's seminary near Cincinnati, came home to spend the holidays.

Messrs Howard W Peirs and F Stossmeister, of the Lima Business College, are in the city for the purpose of locating a branch college here, which will be under the management of the college at Lima.—Bellefontaine Index.

We defy any dealer or manufacturer in Lima to match our prices on couches. Newson-Deakin-Bond Co.

Christmas Trees 15c at Watson's.

Plenty of spare ribs and Country sausage at Elmer Crossley's.

Leave orders early for Xmas candies at Stolzenbachs. 3t

Before you buy your Candies, Fruits, Nuts, Christmas Tree Trimmings and Cigars go to Simon's and see the largest line in Lima. And remember you receive tickets on the fine Oak Sideboard and nine other useful presents.

HANDKERCHIEFS at BLUEM'S.

Watson will close his store at 10 a m Monday.

Stolzenbach is now ready with your Xmas candies. 3t

CUT FLOWERS,

Carnations, Roses, etc., any amount of them, first class, fine. Leave orders early. LIMA FLORAL CO.

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Simons has the sweetest Oranges in Lima.

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For men. The $2.75 men's umbrellas at Bluem's are special values.

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THEY CAME IN TOO LATE

To tell our friends about them so we are going to cut them to pieces, 100 Dozen China Cups and Saucers that were bought to sell at 25c, and 100 Dozen China Plates that were bought to sell at 25c, both will be sold at 18c each, these are beauties and every one will buy them on sight. We cannot afford to carry these over another year, hence we make a price that must sell them this week.

3t LIMA TEA CO.

Guess the weight of the big stick of Candy at Watson's, and get it. It don't cost you a cent.

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ADMITS BIBLE TO SCHOOL.

State Superintendent Jackson, of Nebraska, Decides a District Dispute.

State Superintendent Jackson, of Nebraska, has decided that the Bible may be read in the public schools.

The matter was laid before him in a case from Gage county, where one family in a district wanted the teacher enjoined from using the book, although all others favored it. In his decision Mr. Jackson says:

"There seems to be nothing in the laws of Nebraska that would prevent the simple reading of the Bible in our public schools. I am of the opinion that in this enlightened age and Christian land the public school teacher ought not to be deprived of reading, without written or oral comment, the Bible or of repeating the Lord's Prayer."

FINDS A GREAT COPPER VEIN.

Civil Engineer Frank D. Randall Tells a Strange Story of the Grand Canyon.

Frank D. Randall, a civil engineer of Kansas City, Mo., claims to have discovered in the Grand canyon of the Colorado river a vein of copper greater than any heretofore known, together with gold, garnet-bearing schist, asbestos, onyx, serpentine and coal in great profusion. Mr. Randall went through the Grand canyon in a boat for the express purpose of finding the continuation of the great copper vein that is tapped by Senator W. A. Clark and the famous Verde mine in Arizona.

"I surveyed the vein for some distance," he says, "and found that where it struck the Grand canyon the canyon was 6,000 feet deep. This, I believed, was deep enough to lay bare the vein and I risked my life by going through the canyon in a boat to see. I found the vein as I expected. At the water's edge it is 660 feet wide and runs upward 700 or 800 feet, branching into three veins. There is copper enough in plain sight to keep a 100-ton smelter busy for a generation. I shall go next month with a party to attempt to reach the vein from the plateau."

Mr. Randall has quantities of specimens to show in substantiation of his story.

Christmas Trees 15c at Watson's.

Derivation of the Word "Sunday."

The word "Sabbath" is a Hebrew term for a period as well as quality of time, and means "rest." In the Bible it is used only with this meaning. Periods of one year or of seven years were thus characterized. Every seventh day was observed by the Hebrews as a weekly "Sabbath." In addition to this day others were appointed in which the obligation to cease from labor was as binding as the observance of the weekly "Sabbath." "Sunday" is so named from the day which was dedicated to the worship of the sun. Christian nations observe it as their "Sabbath," but "Sabbath" is not "Sun-day."—Mary E. M. Richardson, in Woman's Home Companion.

Labor Troubles Adjusted.

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 23.—John W. Hayes and W. A. Blount, arbitrators of labor troubles here and in Santa Rosa county, have reached an amicable settlement of the recent lumbermen's strikes in this vicinity. The agreement goes into effect Jan. 1. The men around these mills are to be paid weekly, those in logging camps monthly. They are also to receive an increase of 10 per cent. and members of the Knights of Labor are to be given preference of all work.

Suspends Publication.

Manila, Dec. 23.—The newspaper Democracia, the organ of a coterie of Filipinos, including the supreme court judges favoring American control in the Philippines, Friday announced that it had been decided to suspend publication. The paper was started at the suggestion and under the patronage of the Philippine advisory commission, headed by Prof. J. G. Schurman.

A Christmas Offering.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The committee engaged in raising a fund for the relief of the widow and of the young children of the late Maj. Gen. Henry W. Lawton, are gratified with the generous response to their appeal, and now suggest through the press that all those feeling able and so disposed make a Christmas offering to promote the work in hand.

The Time Extended.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Secretary Hay, for the United States and the Mexican charge, today signed an agreement, extending for one year, until December 24 next, the operation of the treaty providing for the definition of the boundary along the Rio Grande.

Important Decision.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23.—The supreme court of Illinois holds that the sale of patent medicines in any store not conducted by a registered pharmacist is a violation of the state pharmacy act.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—A serious coal famine threatens Chicago January 1 because of the failure of the coal team owners and the teamsters to agree on the scale of wages to be paid to the latter.

Watson has plenty of Holly.

Come early and we will be glad to see you. T. P. JONES.

WIT AND WISDOM.

"What's up?" said Bloomfield to Bellefield, as they met in a shower. "Umbrellas," replied Bellefield.—Pittsburgh Telegraph.

Not What He Meant.—Jingso—"I hear you're a great collector of curios?" Scientific One—"Yes; here comes my wife."—Syracuse Herald.

The Popular Novel.—"I'm so glad you like my novel." "Oh, it was charming! I read all of the last chapter; how did you begin?"—Collier's Weekly.

Willis—"Experience is the great teacher." Wallace—"Yes, I know; but a fellow would like to have a vacation now and then."—Town Topics.

"Why does Jim Todgers affect that funereal style of walking?" "He can't help it. He's been an usher at so many weddings."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Beware of the man who insists upon giving you his word of honor. From an honest man it is superfluous, and from a rascal it is worse than useless. —Chicago Daily News.

A woman's idea of a mean husband is one who will move out of the neighborhood after his wife has succeeded in building up a milk trade among her neighbors.—Atchison Globe.

Willie—"Pa, I've made a picture of a horse, all but the tail, and I can't make that. You draw it for me." His Papa—"No, my son; you must learn to draw your own conclusions."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

"Only thlee China-mans in Philadelphia can vlote," observed Lum, very proudly. "And one of them," he added, with the playful inconsistency of a vaudeville comedian, "has gone to New York an' the ollah one dead."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

NIGHT ON THE VELDT.

Queer Animals That Are Abroad in the Vast Fields of the Transvaal.

There is absolutely nothing on earth more beautiful and solemnly impressive than the starlit serenity of a South African night. The sky is cloudless, the air is fresh and cool, the silence is full of busy hummings of insects and suggestions of life on all sides. And yet there is the sense of complete isolation, of a certain aloofness from mundane things, which is awesome and inspiring.

The veldt rolls out its great waves of short stubble from horizon to horizon, broken here and there by sugarloaf shaped antheaps and a sparse vegetation of zuikerbosch or dwarf mimosa. The Southern Cross shines in the sky and the Milky Way seems to have trebled its myriads of tiny scintillating constellations.

Anon a cicada cheeps with a shrill, high, vibrating note, which is repeated with the monotony of a tightly-strung tomtom. A couple of nachtapies, curious little beasts, part monkey, part mouse and part bat, drop from the zuikerbosch and dart through the thornbush. A meercat sits in the starlight, its whitey gray breast shining like silver. It looks around in an impudent way, and takes stock of the veldt and the human intruders. A springhaan, or locust, heralds a passing swarm of silent, ghostly, violet-winged spirits of the departed. A thousand soft sounds seem to heighten rather than to break the stillness of the night.

Creeping along the side of the nearest antheap comes a curious, uncanny insect, with a long neck and a longer body, misshapen like a cricket bat, and very similar to it in color. This is a "Hottentot god," so-called because the Hottentots are supposed to worship it. The little Boer boys often catch these funny insects and set them on to fight one another, which they are easily persuaded to do, with an amount of ferocity which is almost alarming in such little creatures.

From the distance comes the hoarse cry of a great pauw, or bustard, resembling that of a peacock, but less shrill. They are good shooting, and even better eating, partaking of the character of the turkey, to which, indeed, they are nearly allied. Another veldt bird which is game in every sense of the word is the knorrhaan, also spelled koran, something between a partridge and a wild duck. Its prefix "knorr" is said to be derived from the curious kind of rattling purr which it makes when it thinks itself in any danger.

The honeybird is a well-known denizen of many parts of the Transvaal. It has the unique peculiarity that it does not fear men and women, but actually flies up to them, uttering a plaintive low note, and, flying about their heads, tries to lead them on to the nearest clump of rocks or kopje. The bird knows full well that under a certain rock lies a store of honey, concealed by the cunning bees, and, rock honey being as much esteemed by birds as by human beings, the clever little fellow tries to induce a friendly being with two strong hands to push aside the rock, so that it may get to the honey.

If it succeeds in its object and the traveler on the veldt, attracted by the bird's flutterings to and fro between himself and the rocks, finds the honey, the bird changes its plaintive tone to one of joy and pleasure, as much as to say: "Thank you very much."—London Mail.

Companion of North Star.

For many years scientists have known of the existence of a faint companion to the north star. So close and faint is this companion that owners of small telescopes have often used it to test the power of their eyes and instruments.—N. Y. Herald.

Distinctions.

"She's the best matchmaker in our town."

"Ah! matrimonial or plain sulphur?" — Philadelphia North American.

RESTORING AN OLD CHANNEL

The Chicago Drainage Canal Once More Turns the Water of the Lakes Southward.

THE opening of the drainage canal at Chicago will mark not only the completion of one of the greatest engineering feats of the century, but also the restoration of one of the original outlets to the great lakes. In our admiration of the work of the engineers in digging this great ditch through morass, quicksand and solid rock, we are apt to lose sight of the direct purpose and the physical condition of the country through which the water is to flow.

Geologists tell us that at one time there was a great trough, from one to two miles in width, extending from Lake Michigan through the Illinois valley, through which the waters of the lake found their way to the Mississippi, and thence to the gulf, and that as the waters receded, in the course of time, a slight ridge caused this valley to be impassable, leaving the St. Lawrence as the only remaining outlet to the great lakes. So slight was the barrier thus formed that during the spring freshets there is a place a few miles west of Chicago where the waters divide; a part seeking the lake through the Chicago river, the remainder passing down the tributaries of the Mississippi to the Gulf of Mexico. This parting of the waters is the site of the old Indian portage, and the Chicago river was known as the Portage river at the time when Indians and traders paddled their light canoes up the stream and carried them with slight effort across the intervening land to the Des Plaines river.

Joliet was the first to note this slight barrier between the two water systems and to speak of a possible future channel for the small craft of those early days. In 1823 Maj. Long also ascended the Portage river to what was known as "Le Petit Lac," known later by the less euphonious title, "Mud Lake," and he commented on the slight obstacle to travel by water from Michigan to the western rivers. This early dream of a continuous waterway was partially realized when the Illinois and Michigan canal, long talked of and begun in 1836, was finished 12 years later.

Owing to a lack of funds, however, the channel was cut too shallow, and so failed of its purpose except in times of flood or when filled by artificial means.

In the spring of each year when the snow and ice melted on the prairies along the banks of the Des Plaines, that river rose to such a height that its banks were overrun and the surplus poured through the sloughs and Mud Lake into the Chicago river, causing a rapid current into Lake Michigan. The annual flood, which the state canal failed to offset, assumed ofttimes dangerous proportions, as in 1849, when it came with such suddenness and force as to sweep the city bridges and the shipping that lay in the river out into the lake. The balance of the year the waters would subside and fall so low as to render the shallow canal almost useless.

For this reason there were expended $10,000,000 in deepening the channel, which work was finished in 1871. For a time the deeper canal accomplished its purpose of carrying vessels of a greater draft than formerly, but the increasing use of railroads had taken the place, to a great extent, of water traffic.

In the meanwhile the drainage problem of the growing city became of great importance. The people drew their water for drinking purposes from the lake, and at the same time the sewage of the city flowed into the river and thence into the lake, so that the water was more or less rendered unfit for use. The sluggish stream flowing through the city, sometimes toward the lake, and then the reverse, receiving all the sewage and waste from factories, became very offensive, and it was hoped the deep-cut canal would establish a sufficient current to carry it off, but the hope was delusive. Through the heat of the summer and the cold of winter there was scarcely a movement of the stream, and the filth accumulated.

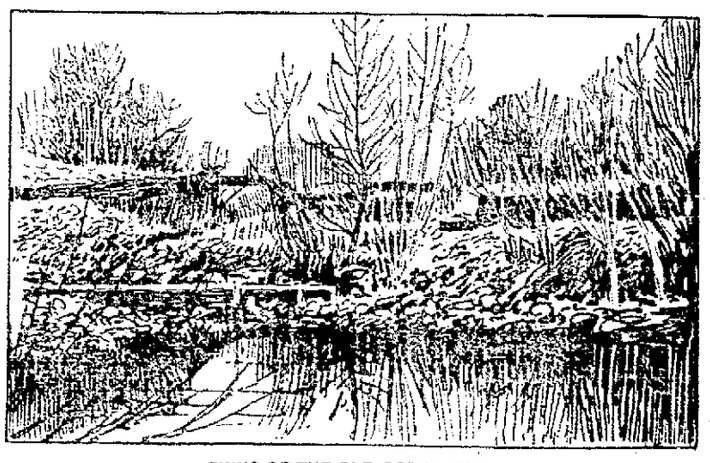
Then in the spring flood it would be swept out into the lake, and the city's water supply be thereby polluted. To obviate this there was built a pumping station where the canal intersected the river, which was to pump the river water into the canal when at low tide, serving the double purpose of filling the canal to the required depth and also of passing much of the sewage away from the lake.

To clean out the north branch of the river there was built a tunnel and a pumping station for the purpose of flushing the river with fresh water to equalize the amount turned into the canal. This plan of causing an artificial current failed to a very great extent because of a third factor not hitherto accounted for. At the time the canal was deepened in 1871 private land speculators dug a drainage channel from the Des Plaines river to Mud lake for the purpose of reclaiming certain lands by draining the water into the Chicago river, and this Ogden-Wentworth ditch, as it was called, supplied in itself enough water for the canal from the Des Plaines and surrounding lowlands to offset the intended effect of the pumping stations. Then a dam was built at the Des Plaines end of this ditch to keep back the water from that stream, but this was only a partial remedy for the evils mentioned.

At last there was conceived the idea of digging a drainage channel, not a canal with locks and stagnant water, but a deep, wide waterway with sufficient fall to restore once more the ancient flow of water from the great lakes and to turn for good and all the sewage of the city away from its water supply toward the valley of the Illinois river.

The first work in connection with this plan was to embank and change the bed of the Des Plaines river, that had contributed so much in the past to the difficulties of the problem. Thus the famous ditch referred to was at last rendered harmless. At the same time, to preserve the lands adjoining the Des Plaines from being submerged in the spring, there was built a dam or spillway in the river embankment at such a height as to allow a surplus overflow when it reached the danger point. This overflow, however, is calculated to be slight compared to former times, and there is no further danger of it turning the current of the Chicago river lakeward.

SPILLWAY ON THE DESPLAINES RIVER.
Built for the Purpose of Protecting the Chicago River from the Desplaines Overflow.



RUINS OF THE OLD OGDEN DAM.
Built for the Purpose of Draining Portions of the Desplaines Valley Into the Chicago River.

The feature that interests us in the new canal aside from the great engineering skill shown in the construction is the fact that man has overcome the natural barriers of land and restored to its old bed one of the outlets to our inland seas.

Whether this outlet will lower the level of the lake, and so again in turn become dry and useless, time alone can tell, but, considering the vast body of water affected, such a condition seems hardly probable, and the engineers tell us impossible. ERNEST WOLLET.

Much Less.

"I lost a pound last week," remarked the lady who took boarders.

"Did you reduce your weight?" inquired her friend.

"No; but my grocer did. He gave me nine pounds of lard and charged me for ten."—Chicago Daily News.

A Stirring Subject.

He—What did you discuss at the meeting of your literary club this afternoon, my dear?

She—The outrageous action of Miss Burgins in almost doubling her price for making a gown.—Chicago Times-Herald.

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RAILROADS

Wreck on C H & D

L E & W Employee Meets with a Bad Accident

Wireless Telegraphy in Railroad Service

To be Given a Practical Test by the Ann Arbor—Other News.

Says a dispatch from Dayton:—A rear-end collision, which, luckily was unattended with fatality, occurred this morning in the D & M yards in North Dayton. Regular freight No. 97 had pulled into the yards and was engaged in the shifting of cars, when the engine of a second section crashed into it. Engineer Tolby and fireman leaped, and both escaped uninjured. The pilot was smashed, and the tender was torn off the trucks and piled up in a box car in the rear. The caboose attached to the rear end of the first section was badly wrecked, but, luckily, none of the crew was in it at the time. A box car containing a consignment of paper bags to a Cincinnati concern was badly wrecked, as was also another car laden with railroad iron. The tracks were cleared without much delay to traffic. The engineer of the second section says the accident was due to the failure of the air brakes to work, together with the slippery condition of the rails.

The first of the year L F Loree, general manager of the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburg, will meet the representatives of the different branches of train service and decide what shall be done in the matter of advancing wages. No trouble is anticipated in adjusting the matter.

A Practical Test.

Chicago, December 22.—Wireless telegraphy in railroad service is to be given a practical test by the Ann Arbor Line. A Contract between the railroad company and the Marconi Company was closed today, and arrangements for installing the new system will begin at once.

The system will be used in connection with the Ann Arbor's ferry line between Frankfort and Menominee. The distance across Lake Michigan between these points is about 83 miles, and heretofore messages pertaining to the business have been transmitted around the lake. The Ann Arbor Company operates its ferries all winter, and the necessity for the best possible telegerph facilities induced the officers of the road to decide to experiment with the Marconi system.

The Pennsylvania Voluntary Relief Department in November paid in claims $30,103 70.

Cincinnati Enquirer:—Harry McGuire, Traveling Passenger Agent of the St Louis and San Francisco, left last night for Iowa to spend Christmas with his wife, who is visiting relatives.

Amputation Necessary.

Frank Small, a L E & W switchman, was very painfully injured Thursday evening while making a coupling near the Indiana Iron works. His right hand was so badly crushed that amputation was necessary near the elbow, the operation being performed at the Whitney hospital. Small is unmarried. He came to Muncie four days ago from Middletown, O., and was employed by the railroad company only three days. He suffered intense agony.—Muncie Ind., Star.

1-4 off on all Smoking Jackets today at the American Clothiers

Lima House Corner.

Stolzenbach & Co candies are always fresh. 3t

Leave your order at Bower's Bakery, for Ice Cream and Cake, for your Xmas Dinner.

You can't make a more appropriate Christmas present than one of Porter & Son's Mandolins, Guitars, Banjos or Violins.

MAGNIFICENT PRODUCTION.

"Faust" the Chtistmas Production at the Opera House.

The beginning of the fifth act shows us Faust and Mephisto toilfully climbing the steep rocks and yawning chasms of the peak of the Brocken, in the Hartz mountains, where, according to the German legend, the Witches and Warlocks meet on Walpurgis night (the thirteenth of April) to hold their yearly festivities. The night grows darker and darker; the moon is at its last quarter and gives but little light. They climb higher and higher; the trees and rocks and distant cliffs take on woundrously fantastic shapes in the dim light of the dying moon; only the hooting of owls and the far away cry of the lonely night hawk breaks the solemn stillness; strange shapes crawl to and fro, and wierd snake-like forms seem to writhe and try to clasp the wanderers in their horrible embrace. At midnight a mighty tempest rises and the witches gather from far and near to their unholy festival. During the truly horrifying scene that follows, Mephisto shows Faust the never-failing "Punishment of Evil," and the curtain falls with terror-stricken Faust writhing in the Evil One's grasp. A perfect storm of electric fire descends, amid which the imps and witches are seen reveling in their fiendish merriment.

"Faust" will be given here matinee and night, Christmas. Seats on sale Saturday morning. Matinee, balcony 25c, lower floor 50c, children 25c. Evening 25, 50 and 75c, boxes $1.50.

BROKE HIS NECK

In his hurry to get some of Townsend's famous Home Made Mince Meat, 3 pounds for 25c.

For Pipes and Smokers' Sets go to the Aquarium Cigar store.

Fresh country butter at the Puritan Dairy company. 3t

Go to Mrs Rodgers for Christmas trees and holly. 2t

CYCLOMEN, BABY-PRIMROSES,

Excellent plants.
St LIMA FLORAL CO.

Xmas Candy, Largest and Finest assortment at Bower's Bakery. 9t

WITH A PITCHFORK

The Driver Prodded the Animals and is Now Under Arrest.

Cyrus Grunden, is defendant in a "cruelty to animals" charge, filed against him in Justice Duffield's court this morning. The complaint was filed by C F Bryan.

Gurden is accused of having tortured his team of mules when they were unable to pull a heavy load through the mud, by pounding and sticking them with a pitchfork. He will answer to the court for his cruelty.

Go to Mrs Rodgers for Christmas trees and holly: 2t

HANDKERCHIEFS.

You never saw better values for the money. Handkerchiefs at all prices can be bought at Bluem's.

Order part of your Christmas dinner from the Puritan Dairy Co. 3t

A HANDSOME CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

Globe of Gold Fish. See them at the Aquarium Cigar store.

OILDOM

Elmer Crossley Sells His Oil Interest-Other Local Notes.

Roth, Argue & Co have hauled in timbers for a well on the M Alstetter farm just north of town. The well is to be located southeast of developments.

Linneman & Shaw's venture on the Weaver, in section 11, Amanda township is reported dry.

Kerr & Hover Bros on the Cicero Whril, section 13, Amanda township starts off well. Not much was expected from it.

The Ohio is putting a new rig on the Burden farm, section 35, Bath township.

The Sun Oil Co is starting a well on the Ferguson farm, south of the Freeman Young in northwestern Jackson.

Maier Bros and the Devonian have Nos. 15 and 18 in the sand and showing nicely.

Senator Brorien one Banker Bloom of Wapakoneta have purchased Elmer Crossley's leases of the Moore, Watkins and Mumaugh farms These are quite valuable as they are near the Schuler and Maurier farms where good strikes have been made.

Oil Market.

Tiona,	1.51
Scio	1.46
Pennsylvania,	1.86
Barnesville,	1.66
Corning,	1.69
New Castle,	1.41
North Lima,	1.17
South Lima,	1.12
Indiana,	1.12

PRIMROSES,

Are the most attractive blooming plants for Christmas.

We have 400 of them; fine.
LIMA FLORAL CO.

Buy your Mandolins, Guitar, Banjos, Violins and other Christmas goods of Porter & Son.

Dimond Bros will close all day Christmas. Order Saturday for your Christmas dinner.

CONSUMPTION

Causes the Death of Mrs. Emma Zeitz, Sister of Councilman Koch.

Mrs. Emma Zeitz, of Perry township, died at her late home two and one-half miles southeast of the city on the St. Johns road, yesterday morning, death resulting from consumption after an illness of two years duration. Deceased is a sister of Councilman Louis Koch, of this city. Funeral services will be conducted from the German Reformed church Sunday morning at ten o'clock.

Orders for pictures brought to Prof. Stanley by Saturday Dec. 23rd will be done for New Years. 1w

Dimond Bros will close all day Christmas.

PALMS, FERNS, ETC.

Fine assortment and cheap.
tf LIMA FLORAL CO.

Wood for the entire city. We make it and sell it to the consumers. 60 loads per day; five teams waiting to deliver it promptly at your door at $1 per load. Phone your wants either phone to south side saw mill.
1w FRANK E. FEE.

It don't cost a cent to guess on weight of Watson's stick of Candy.

SHORT LIVED.

Charter of Hub Boot and Shoe Commission Co. Surrendered.

The directors of the Hub Boot and Shoe Commission Co. recently organized and incorporated met and decided that the organization could not carry out the purposes for which it was formed and voted to surrender the charter.

Nothing better than a Swell Box of Paper, a pretty Book, a fine Picture for Christmas. City Book Store.

WONDERFUL

The Business Done by Porter & Son, Music Dealers.

The amount of business being done by this enterprising and popular firm is simply wonderful.

While a NEWS reporter was strolling through their music parlors yesterday we saw pianos being taken out the front door and back door. Many of the instruments which have been sold are for Christmas presents, and the names of the lucky ones can not be given at present. Hundreds looked through their stock yesterday. the attraction being not only their handsome and large stock of pianos, but their stock of smaller instruments came in for a large share of praise and comment.

The "Old Quaker" has been in business in Lima for twenty years, and the large holiday trade this year is a testimonial to his popularity among buyers of musical instruments.

They have received the "Little Giant" Everett, the first of its kind ever on exhibition in Ohio. It was sent to them direct by the John Church Co. and is a grand testimonial to the high esteem in which Porter & Son are held by the great concern.

The "Little Giant" is a beauty in Mahogany. It is constructed on lines different from any piano that was ever made. Its tones are clear and strong and wonderfully sweet.

Handsome new Anderson & Newton pianos in mahogany and walnut just received by Miss Cox, southeast corner square.

A fresh line of candies at the Puritan Dairy company. 3t

CHEAP LARD TO-DAY ONLY.

2 1-2 pounds pure lard for 25c at Townsend's grocery and meat market.

Townsend will be open till noon noon Monday. Will deliver early.

For Pipes and Smokers' sets go to the Aquarium Cigar store.

POLICE COURT.

Harry Disman paid $5.60 this morning for disorderly conduct.

Bernard Hughes arrested for disorderly conduct on complaint of his mother of Pennsylvania avenue, was released, his mother failing to appear against him.

A box of Clear Havana Cigars for $1 at the Aquarium Cigar store.

Dressed turkeys at Allen's.

Sleigh and sled runners made to order and all kinds of pumps repaired T E Geiger, 147 south Main.

Sixty pounds of roast Turkey at Humston's Saturday night.

Nuts and candies at Allen's.

The Ladies Society of German Reform Church are requested to meet at 9 a m Sunday at the church to attend the funeral of Mrs Seitz.

By order of Secy.

$1.00, $1.50 and $2.00 UMBRELLAS at G E Bleum's Are great values and would make a nice Christmas gift.

Your Christmas won't be complete without some of Bower's Delicious Pop Corn goods. Go see his display of Pop Corn and Candy.

LADIES Umbrellas for $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00, Are special good values for Christmas giving and can be had at G. E. Bluem's.

All $2.50 Mufflers at $1.98 today.

"Meet Me at the Lima House Corner."

ENDEAVORED TO SHAKE

The Dust of Life From Her Being and End All in Death.

Mrs. Louis Kramer, residing at 518 Pennsylvania avenue, is alleged to have endeavored to shake the dust of life from her being, by taking laudanum. Dr. Murphy was called in time to prevent the accomplishment of the act. Family troubles are given as cause.

Stolzenbachs candies finer than ever before. 3t

Only 18c for the finest China Cup and Saucer you ever laid your eyes on at the Lima Tea Co. 3t

ONE WITNESS SUFFICIENT

To Render a Verdict for the Plaintiff in the Full Amount.

Only one witness examined in the case of S A Tolman vs B C Faurot; an action to recover on promisary notes, tried in the common pleas court yesterday.

Judgement for the full amount of $5,000, with interest from 1893 was awarded plaintiff by the jury. The interest and principal amounted to $7,251.64.

Go to Cardosi for all kinds of fruits, candies and cigars. Cheapest place in Lima. 3t

Those Cups and Saucers that just arrived at the Lima Tea Co are honeys. 3t

More Books bought this year than ever. See lines at City Book Store.

A HANDSOME CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

Globe of Gold Fish. See them at the Aquarium Cigar store.

Primroses, the finest we ever had. Cyclamen plants. Baby Primroses. Palms, etc.

ORDER YOUR

Roses, Carnations, Violets

Early and get the best. They are scarce this Christmas. Wreaths made of Holly, Ground Pine, Galax. We handle no 10c trash, but only the best. Small and larger Designs of Immortelles, very fine.

CHRISTMAS TREES.

Lima Floral Company.

FAUROT OPERA HOUSE

Tuesday, December 26

First time here of the famous 14th Street Theatre, New York success

A Young Wife,

A play of intense human heart interest and wholesome comedy. By J. K. Tillotson, author of "The Painter's wife." Original great cast, etc., as played for 7 weeks in New York City recently.

Seats on sale Monday; usual prices.

CHRISTMAS ATTRACTIO

Mr. Porter J. White,

—IN—

FAUST.

Complete new Scenery by W. L. Seavey, of New York The most complete electric outfit ever carried by a traveling company, specially designed and constructed by the Edison Electrical Co.

Positively producing the following Original effects:

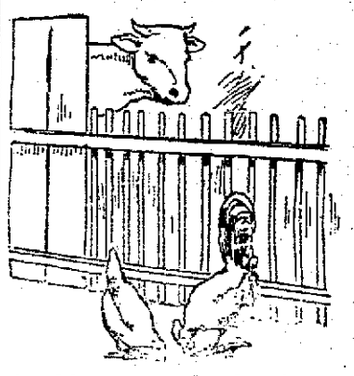
"The Rain of Fire."
"The Electric Sword Duel."
"The Electric Fire Flies."
"The Electric Stars."
"The Electric Flower Bed."
"The Electric Morning Glories."
"The Electric Necklace."
"The Electric Circle of Fire."
"The Electric Skull".

together with electric Owls, Snakes and n any other weird and dramatic effects.

Prices { Matinee, 25 and 50 cents. Night, 25c, 50c and 75c.

Seat Sale Opens Saturday.

One car load of wonderful Scenic and Dramatic effects.



Don't Pay 14c

Nor any other big fancy price for turkeys until you see Ingledue's stock and get his prices, and if you want your Christmas dinner to be a decided success give him your order for fancy and staple groceries, fancy meats and candies.

We have a full supply of fresh vegetables. Our fresh tomatoes will please you. We keep everything.

INGLEDUE & CO.,

2nd door South of Square.

KID GLOVES!

Gloves have ever been popular and appropriate for gift purposet, and whether it is one pair or more, they are here satisfactory in style and price.

The Clementina is a very soft light weight Glove, in (2) clasp, black, tan, red, brown, slate and green.

$1.00.

Kid Mittens, 50c, 75c and $1.00.

G. E. BLUEM,

57 PUBLIC SQUARE.

2nd Floor. Take the Elevator.

NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE®

The Bubble Has Burst

And Many Fleeced Lambs Are Bewailing the Hardships of the Winter.

If any reader of these letters was dissuaded from trying to get rich quickly by the warnings I uttered some months ago about the great wave of Wall street gambling then beginning, I am glad.

He Would Get Rich-Quick.

Everybody knows now the result of the entrance of the lambs upon the street. Millions of good money has been put into "discretionary pools" from which it can never be got out, and other millions from every part of the country were sunk in the ten-per-cent-per-week robberies of Miller and his like.

When the books of Miller's "Franklin Syndicate" were seized, it was found that he was getting two or three hundred thousand a month in checks from every part of the country. The flow of wealth to his little frame tenement office was almost incredible. The steps of the building were fairly worn away by the feet of depositors, and dozens of clerks were busy sorting mail.

Personally I never heard of the "Syndicate" until just before the bubble broke. This is a big city. But the office of the young Napoleon of robbery was only a mile or so from my house, and I have since heard of several people who "quit winners" on his game. One who "invested" $80 at the beginning of the business drew out eight dollars a week for ten weeks, then sold his "shares" for $80, just before the disclosures. He knew when he went in that the concern was a swindle, but he reasoned that it would last long enough for him to get his money out. There used to be a proverb that "the receiver is as bad as the thief."

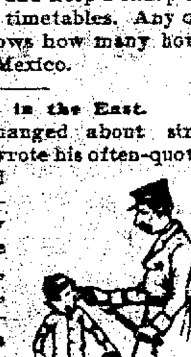
Perhaps the majority of the "investors" in these get-rich-quick schemes were of the same sort. They knew it was a swindle, but overestimated their smartness; thought they could beat the game.

Well, a good many men who have come to New York to buy "green goods" have thought that, but they have generally gone home poorer.

Miller and the other sharks who followed his system—the city was full of them before the exposures compelled the police to root them out—all pretend to use the money of their clients in Wall street; they don't do it. They pocket the money and keep a sharp eye upon the railway timetables. Any one of these men knows how many hours it takes to get to Mexico.

Curfew Laws in the East.

Things have changed about since Bishop Berkeley wrote his often-quoted lines: "Eastward the Star of Empire takes its way now;" as also the star of ingenuity, social progress, political movements and things like that. Ideas, like cyclones, start in the west and come this way.



The Curfew Law in New York State.

Take the curfew law. We used to call it a Kansas idea. I'm not sure that it wasn't sometimes called a Kansas crank idea.

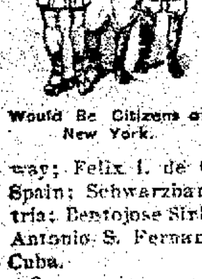
Well, it has reached the east, and it is no longer so cranky, of course. Would you be surprised to learn that in several of the cities of this state the curfew law is now in force, and that in others it is being considered? The New York state superintendent of education, Charles R. Skinner, recommends it in his report, and good things are said of it where it has been enforced. As yet, I think, no city of more than 150,000 population has tried clearing its streets of young children after nine in the summer and eight in the winter; but others may do so any day.

What gives the movement force is the alarming growth of crime among children. On a single day recently two boys under 16 murdered companions. The prisons are full of very young criminals, and the street is making more at an alarming rate.

New York Is Queer.

New York is queer.

Here are a few among the applicants for naturalization in the courts: Spiro Papastavaroupoulos, of Greece; Cologera Tutotica, of Italy; Ferzian Dikran Garabous, of Turkey; Pinens Tvachtenbroit, of Russia; Faschielliere de Hengelieve, of France; Gander Torkildsen, of Norway; Felix I. de Cuspere Barriel, of Spain; Schwarzband Schlibse, of Austria; Bentojose Sirbas, of Portugal, and Antonio S. Fernandes y Roswizes, of Cuba.



Would Be Citizens of New York.

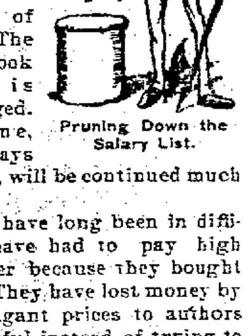
Some queer occupations in New York. For woman: As dummies waiting in doctors' and dentists' offices, to impress the public with the amount of the practice; posing as models for photographic advertisements of corsets, hair dyes, etc.; marketing for busy society ladies; advising upon decorations and displays for dinner parties; designing new "favors" for fashionable dances; exercising pet dogs; training the same; also pet mice to do tricks; also whistling to mocking birds to teach them new tunes; talking to parrots—this takes patience—to teach them new sentences; as bootblacks; as cat-washers; as barbers; as private detectives; as night watchmen; as furnishers of new houses; as manicures in downtown buildings—their clients are almost all men.

For men—but everyone knows that men do queer things.

I know a "homemade bread baker," a widow, who has earned a living for a number of years in this way. When she was left to her own devices with several small children on her hands, and at 50 years, she had no accomplishment, but she could bake bread. She began supplying immediate neighbors, expanded the business gradually, and is now making a good income.

The Harper Affair.

The rearrangement of the affairs of Messrs. Harper & Bros. are now practically complete and there is no reason why the firm should not be more prosperous than ever.



Pruning Down the Salary List.

Innovations are in progress. The salary list has been pruned of dead wood. The policy as to book publishing is greatly changed. The magazine, which has always been profitable, will be continued much as before.

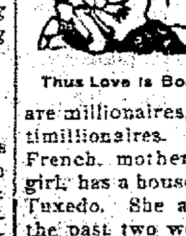
The Harpers have long been in difficulties; they have had to pay high prices for paper because they bought at long time. They have lost money by paying extravagant prices to authors already successful instead of trying to develop new men—a course which the fickle public better rewards. For instance, they paid Gen. Wallace $75,000 for "The Prince of India," thinking it would be as big a success as "Ben Hur." It wasn't. When "Trilby" made such a hit—and it is a part of unwritten history that they would have been forced to make an assignment then but for the success of that single book—they paid Du Maurier a big sum for its successor, "The Martian," and lost on that, but not so heavily. They failed, in a word, to keep in touch with the constantly changing market. One result of this was that they preferred to publish books by English authors to trying American books.

When I was last in London I looked over a number of manuscripts seeking something good for a New York publisher who had asked me to do this. One story by an English author was submitted to me in this way, and I was forced to report adversely upon it. It was well enough in its way, but not likely to interest Americans. I was surprised after my return to see that the Harpers had accepted the book. They lost money on it, however. I could name a number of such cases.

Col. Harvey, the new head of the firm as receiver's agent, is an interesting character. He is about 40 years old, and looks 30; he has been private secretary to Joseph Pulitzer and William C. Whitney, who are two of the ablest men in this city. He is quick, ambitious and practical to the last minute. It's a considerable honor to be, at 40, at the head of a concern with debts of $5,500,000 and assets of twice as much; but these are the days of the young man. Harvey will shake up the dry bones.

A Vanderbilt's Fiancee.

There seems to be no longer any doubt that Alfred Vanderbilt, the son and chief heir of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt, is engaged. He has barely passed the voting age, but as soon as the year of mourning for his father has expired he will marry Miss Elsie French.



Thus Love Is Born.

The Frenches are millionaires, of course, but not multimillionaires. Mrs. Francis Ormonde French, mother of the much-talked-of girl, has a house in Newport and one in Tuxedo. She and her daughter spent the past two weeks there, and are now off for Europe, where they will stay all winter. I reckon Cairo as a part of Europe, though the geographies put it in Africa. It's certainly a great deal more European on the surface than Greece or Sicily.

SYNDICATE.

Miss French is what you would call a nice girl, but not beautiful. She is the sister of Hon. Mrs. Herbert Eaton, who will one day be an English countess.

The two young folks got engaged just as other young folks do everywhere; they are neighbors, and that settled it. That's the way in which young Payne Whitney became engaged to Gertrude Vanderbilt. Why, they lived right across the street from each other. So what else could you expect?

OWEN LANGDON.

SUPERB

Holiday Gift Absolutely Free for Readers

Of THE DAILY NEWS—An Astonishing Offer Which Will Not Last Long.

A superb Holiday gift absolutely free for readers of the NEWS. Exciting experiences in our war with Spain and the Filipinos, life of Admiral George Dewey, edited by Marshal Everett, the greatest descriptive writer the world has ever known. Including the official history of our war with Spain by President Wm. McKinley as contained in his Official Message. All the fascinating stories of our late wars told by the Commanding Heroes Themselves. The life and achievements of Admiral George Dewey. The life and heroism of Brig. Gen'l Funston and the adventures of Auguinaldo. Thrilling stories of bravery. Exciting personal experiences. Wonderful descriptions of our victorious battles. The History of each of our new possessions and the history of American expansion including the Peace Commission and the Treaty of Peace, to all of which is added the Songs of the War and Cartoons of the War explained, and a complete Gallery of Photographs. Autographs and Biographies of war Heroes, Photographs of Battle Scenes and war incidents Over 550 pages, best binding. Nearly 100 pages of Half-tone Illustrations. Every man or woman who bought this book, up to six weeks ago, paid $3.00 for it and it is worth every cent of it. By special arrangements of the benefit of THE DAILY NEWS readers we have secured an option on 2000 copies of this truly American book and now make the following astonishing offer. While the 2000 copies last we will give absolutely free to both old and new subscribers who order THE NEWS for 6 months, this wonderful, glorious and beautiful book upon payment of 57 cents to cover express and delivery charges. Our representative will call upon you and show book or you may send us a card or telephone No. 417. Copy of book may be seen at NEWS office. This offer good until books contracted for are used. Order now, next week may be too late.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers purify the blood, clean the liver, invigorate the system. Famous little pills for constipation and liver troubles. H F Vortkamp, northeast corner Main and North streets.

BOOKS, BOOKS!

Call at the NEWS office tonight and get your books.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.

Excursion rates via the C H & D Ry. Tickets will be sold to all points in Central Passenger Association territory on Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30 and 31 and Jan. 1st., limited to Jan. 2nd. for return. For students returning home on Holiday Vacation, excursion tickets will be sold on the day school closes and day following, limited to Jan. 16th. for return. Call on your nearest C H & D Agent for details.

WINTER TRIPS IN THE TROPICS.

The C H & D Ry has on sale at its principal ticket offices both single and round trip tickets to all points in Cuba and the West Indies-Belize, British Honduras, Livingston and Port Barrios, Guatamala, Port Cortez, Ceiba and Truxillo, Spanish Honduras, Port Limon. Costa Rica: Bocas de Toro, Columbia, Bluefields and Rama, Nicaragua; also to many other points in Central and South America. Baggage checked through to destination. Sleeping car space and steamer accomodations reserved on application to ticket agent. If you contemplate a Southern trip, get information from your nearest C H & D Agent or write to D G Edwards, P. T. M., Cincinnati, Ohio.

AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

No Extensive Preparations Are Being Made for Christmas Celebration This Year.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Many senators and representatives called upon the president Thursday to pay their respects and extend their Christmas greetings before leaving for their homes to spend the holiday season. Among them was Representative Richardson, the democratic leader of the house, who was accompanied by Representative McClellan, of New York, and Representative Stallings, of Alabama. The president is very cordial in his responses to these evidences of good will. He appears to be enjoying exceptionally good health.

No extensive preparations are making for the Christmas celebration at the executive mansion this year owing to the state of Mrs. McKinley's health, and the day probably will be a very quiet one. Miss Grace McKinley and Miss Sarah Duncan, nieces of the president, will be guests at the white house during the holidays. Abner McKinley and his wife will also be here. The white house steward long since ceased to give himself any concern about the Christmas turkey. For many years the fattest, juciest bird in Rhode Island has arrived with the compliments of the raiser. Many boxes have already reached the white house containing gifts for the president and Mrs. McKinley and a considerable number of presents are on their way to their destinations from the white house. Most of Mrs. McKinley's gifts are exquisite products of her own handiwork. Last year Mrs. McKinley went to New York before the holidays and purchased many little things for the servants and white house attaches, but this year her illness prevented her from making the trip. It is the custom to remember every married employe of the white house with a big fat turkey and every unmarried attache with a suitable present.

BOSTON BANK FAILS.

A Receiver Appointed for the Globe National, of Boston—The Depositors Safe.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Controller Dawes Thursday appointed Special Examiner Daniel G. Wing temporary receiver of the Globe National bank of Boston. The bank's condition was discovered by Special Examiner Wing in time to secure such action on the part of the directors as will probably prevent the failure from inflicting heavy losses upon the depositors, but the directors and stockholders will lose heavily. The bank, it is understood, was involved in the Squire failure and in mining stocks.

Boston, Dec. 22.—The action of the controller in waiting a reasonable time for the guaranty to be made good regarding the bad assets of the bank is generally acknowledged to have been very generous, and it is generally agreed that if the bank had been closed last week a severe panic would have resulted, which would have undoubtedly carried down other stocks, and wrecked many strong institutions.

During the past week the withdrawals from the bank have been exceedingly heavy, amounting, it is said, to over $2,000,000 in deposits. It was stated that the closing of the institution could not affect any great number of individual depositors.

The failure is one of the most startling and far-reaching since the Maverick bank eight years ago, and as it intimately involves the value of Boston's pet copper stocks, the outcome Friday is anxiously awaited.

Shot His Wife and Suicided.

Binghamton, N. Y., Dec. 22.—John Edward Gardiner, in order to get his picture in print, shot his young wife then killed himself Thursday. Gardiner was 60 years old, his wife 29. They had been married but a short time, and were living apart on account of his bad habits. On several occasions he had asked her how she would like to see their pictures in a local paper. His wife took fright at this and forbade him to speak to her on the subject.

Gen. Wood in Charge.

Havana, Dec. 22.—Gen. Leonard Wood formally took charge of the governor general's office at 9 o'clock Thursday morning. His first act was to accept the resignation of the members of the advisory cabinet of Gen. Brooke. These officials, after considering the question over night, had decided to insist upon retiring. Their decision meets with a public approval.

False Bank Statement.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—Ferdinand Lemieux, local manager of the defunct Ville Marie Bank, was Thursday found guilty of preparing and sending to the government false statements as to the bank's condition, and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. The president of the bank is in jail and two of the directors are still to be tried.

Congressman Boutelle Seriously Ill.

Boston, Dec. 22.—Congressman C. A. Boutelle, of Maine, who is at Young's hotel, has been taken seriously ill. The nature of the trouble is not given out.

Choynski and McCormick to Meet.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 22.—Joe Choynski and Jack McCormick have signed a contract to meet in a six-round bout before the Milwaukee Athletic club on January 19.

Celebrated Musical Director Dead.

Paris, Dec. 22.—Jean Lamoureu, the celebrated musical conductor, died Thursday after a two day's illness. He introduced Handel, Bach and Wagner to French audiences.

COMING.

Dr. France's chief consulting and examining physician of The France Medical Institute by request will visit the following towns on dates named Consultation free and invited.

LIMA, OHIO, LIMA HOUSE,

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1899

FROM 9 A. M. to 6 P. M.

CINCINNATI, PALACE HOTEL, SUNDAY AND MONDAY OF EACH WEEK. . . . .

The Greatest Living Physician was a Specialist.

The France Physicians are all Specialists.

One who places his whole energies to studying and practicing some particular disease. Our long experience, remarkable Skill and Universal Success for the past twenty years entitle us to the full confidence of the afflicted. It costs no more to employ an expert than to risk your life with an Inexperienced Physician. No money required of reposible parties to commence treatment.

THE FRANCE SYSTEM OF TREATMENT.

The Science of Medicine has improved wonderfully during the last few years, and for this great progress we are indebted chiefly to those physicians who have confined their researches to a comparatively limited field.

For twenty years Dr. France, aided by many trained assistants, has been investigating in a new and original manner the nature and treatment of obscure and chronic diseases.

During this period a complete record has been preserved for study, reference and comparison, of nearly fifty thousand affections. The study of this vast number of disorders has led to many discoveries regarding their true nature and best methods of treatment. Our remarkable success in this comparatively limited field has resulted in an immense practice. We have constantly under treatment hundreds of patients from every state and territory in the United States, Canada, British Columbia and Mexico. Dr. France is aided by a large corps of trained medical assistants, and also by many consulting physicians, among whom are some of the ablest specialists.

After twenty years' experience, the France System of Treatment has been found most successful in the cure of chronic diseases. It is a harmless home treatment, and acting as an adjunct to the skill of the France physicians, the following diseases quickly give way to its remarkable curative effects:

Kidneys and Bladder. The kidneys and bladder are the great blood purifiers of the system, as they carry off the effete and poisonous matter that would otherwise clog and vitiate the whole economy. When these organs are impaired direful results soon follow. If your urine is highly colored, milky, or very clear and watery; if it is passed often or with pain; if it is too scant or too abundant; if it casts a sediment of white, ropy, or brick dust appearance; if you have pains in the back—do not neglect these warnings of danger. The France System of Treatment cures all disorders resulting from deranged kidneys and bladder by restoring these organs to the performance of their proper functions, thus eliminating disease from the system by nature's own process.

Diseases of the Digestive Organs. The following symptoms are characteristic of a diseased condition of the stomach and liver, and should receive prompt attention: Souring of the food, with a bad taste in the mouth; heartburn, or pain in the region of the heart; hot, dry feeling in the mouth and stomach after eating; pain or tenderness in the pit of the stomach; eructations of gas or of sour, bitter, or tasteless water; pain or tenderness in the right side; numbness or pain in the right arm, near the shoulder; dizziness or a dull, heavy sensation in the head; aching or heaviness around the eyes, with blurred vision; despondency or a morbid fear of death. The France System of Treatment cures, because the remedies are prepared to meet the special needs of each case.

Lung Diseases. If you have weak, tender, or irritable lungs; if you take cold easily, or have pains in the lungs or chest; if your hands or feet are unnaturally hot; if you have a tickling sensation in the throat and cough frequently, whether the cough is short and dry, or loose, with expectoration; if you are losing flesh and strength—you have no time to waste in experimenting with cough syrups, cod liver oil, or any of the new-fangled consumption cures. If you come in time, the France System of Treatment will cure you, as it has cured hundreds of others. If you delay too long, nothing can save you.

Catarrh. Any person who takes cold easily is sure to have catarrh, and the only way to cure catarrh is by the use of both local and constitutional treatment, adapted to each individual case, so as not only to heal the diseased mucous membranes, but also to correct the constitutional tendency to colds. Neglected catarrh affects the ears, causing head noises and deafness; the eyes, causing suffusion and partial loss of sight; the throat and bronchial tubes, causing cough and bronchitis; the lungs, causing consumption; the stomach, causing dyspepsia; the kidneys, causing inflammation, burning and scalding urine, etc.; the rectum, vagina, and womb, causing inflammation, ulceration, and mucous discharges. Permanent cures are effected by the France System of Treatment, because it is based upon long and successful experience, aided by the best modern facilities.

Nervous Diseases. Diseases of the Nervous System require the highest degree of medical skill for successful treatment. Epilepsy, Chorea or St. Vitus Dance, Paralysis in its various forms, Hysteria, Spinal Irritation, Nervous Debility, Nervous Prostration, and other derangements or lesions of the nerves, brain, or spinal cord, are usually very obstinate and often regarded as incurable. The majority of cases are incurable by the ordinary methods, yet they yield readily to the powerful, but beneficent, influences of the France System of Treatment. The first thing in the treatment of these diseases is to locate the cause of the disease, which is often obscure. Science enables us to accomplish this, as well as to select the means of cure.

Diseases of Women. Probably two-thirds of all American women suffer with some of the diseases or derangements peculiar to the sex. Many of these sufferers think that there is no remedy, and that it is natural that they should be afflicted to a greater or less extent in this way. This is a mistake that has resulted from the lamentable failure of the ordinary methods of treatment. Women and girls who have any of the following symptoms should not despair, as they can be cured by the France System of Treatment: Numbness or coldness of one leg or foot, or both; pains in the lower part of the back; weakness or a bearing down or dragging sensation; sideache or pains in the loins, groins or across the lower bowels; irregularities, either too often or too long delayed, too little or too profuse; leucorrhoea or any unnatural discharge, itching, inability to retain urine; hot, burning or scalding urine; sensation of a lump rising in the throat; nervousness and excitability; a hot spot or pain on the top of the head; capricious appetite; shortness of breath or sinking spells; sallow complexion; a dark circle under the eyes; loss of strength and vitality; languor and indifference. These and other distressing but too common symptoms, are not natural to a healthy woman, and ought not to be endured through ignorance, when relief and cure is at hand. Come and be convinced that we can cure you.

The world is full of weak, sickly women. Nine out of every ten are afflicted in some way. Hundreds and thousands are old in looks long before they are old in years.

Nature never intended that this should be so. She intended that women should be the most beautiful of all created things.

The daintiest flower that ever bloomed is not so lovely as a healthy, pink-cheeked woman. All the other beautiful things in creation combined are not her equal.

"A Wife's Secret," a new book just published. This book is fully illustrated with colored engravings, and contains much information and many facts of especial interest to women. By request we will send one book, "A Wife's Secret," FREE by mail, in a plain wrapper, to any one sending us their name and address.

WEAK AND DISEASED MEN.

Private and Sexual Diseases cured under a guarantee and forfeit of $1,000 for failure. Lost Manhood, Spermatorrhea, Seminal Weakness, Effects of Youthful Indiscretions and Sexual Excesses, Nervous Debility, Exhausted Vitality, Confusion of Ideas, Aversion to Society, Loss of Memory and Energy, Impotency, etc., quickly and permanently cured by an original and never-failing treatment. Gonorrhea, Syphilis, Gleet, Stricture, Hydrocele and Varicocele cured in the shortest possible time, without the use of mercury or hindrance from business. Cures guaranteed where others have failed. Low charges and consultation free; correspondence sacredly confidential. The France System of Local Treatment with Medicated Pad for Men is positively the most complete and successful known for weak and undeveloped organs.

In curing a disease of any kind we never fail to remove all reflex complications. If the case is Varicocele, the weakness caused by it disappears. If it is Stricture, and has developed into Prostatic Bladder or Kidney affections, the injured organs are all restored to a perfectly healthy condition. If it is Contagious Blood Poison, any and all Skin, Blood and Bone diseases arising from the taint are entirely and permanently eliminated from the system. If it is Nervous Debility, the many symptoms that follow in its train, indicating premature decay of physical and mental power, are totally removed and speedily replaced by the youthful vigor of robust manhood.

Most cases can be successfully treated at home. One personal visit is preferred, but if it is impossible or inconvenient for you to call, write a full and unreserved history of your case, plainly stating your symptoms.

COMING! By request, our examining Physician will visit the Hotel on the above date. The afflicted are invited to call; the doctor will fully explain the treatment. Consultation free, personally or by letter. All communications strictly confidential. Send for book, which explains in full—sent sealed in plain envelope. Write, or call on date above named.

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CHANCE FOR WOMEN.

May Be Employed in the Compilation of the Census of 1900.

Their Efficiency as Enumerators and Clerks Proven by the Census Bureau at the Time of the Taking of the Last General Census.

Although the newspapers in referring to the enumerators and clerks to be employed by the government in gathering the census in 1900 have invariably used the masculine gender it is a fact that women are to take their place beside the men in this important work. Women were first employed in this labor in 1880. At that time the head of the census bureau was the late Gen. Francis A. Walker, whose attention was directed to the usefulness of women in gathering census statistics by Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake. In accordance with her suggestion all the rules and regulations for the taking of the census of 1880 were so drawn that there was no discrimination on account of sex. As a consequence many women were employed throughout the country as enumerators, and in every case did good work, one woman in a western district making a record in the number of names she obtained in a thinly settled section.

In 1890 women again found occupation as clerks and as census enumerators, though then, as now, the fact that women were eligible to these positions was not as widely known as it should have been.

There are many reasons why this employment for women is most suitable. In the first place, as the work only lasts for a few weeks or months, and then ceases absolutely, it has always been found difficult to find the best men for a labor which offers no permanency of support, while there are many women so situated that they are glad to have the opportunity to earn a good sum of money in some occupation which will not take the whole of their time. The service is not severe, especially in the large cities, where the dwellings are crowded together and a person can work all day in collecting the names of the inhabitants of a few blocks. Another point which deserves consideration is that the census enumerator as a rule sees only women in the homes which must be visited, as the calls are made during the hours when men are away on business.

TORPEDO PRACTICE REQUIRED

Naval Authorities Decide That There Must Be Practical and Regular Instruction in This Direction.

Naval authorities have decided that there must be regular torpedo practice on ships of war, and orders have been issued which require this to the end that officers may become acquainted with the details of torpedo work. The order reads: "The commanding officer of every vessel other than a torpedo vessel shall cause each torpedo on the vessel under his command to be run at least once in each quarter, and in case of failure to carry out the provision of this paragraph a quarterly torpedo practice report, made upon the regular torpedo practice form, must state the reasons for this failure.

"Torpedo practice, additional to the above, for the instruction of officers and men, shall be held as much oftener as circumstances will permit, and as the commander in chief, senior officer present, or commanding officer may deem advisable. Torpedo practice with the vessel dead in the water is of value only so far as the care and adjustment of the torpedoes and the training of the inexperienced crews are concerned, and the commander in chief, senior officer present, or commanding officer, therefore, will use every effort to hold torpedo practice at the highest practicable speed, and when possible at a moving target. Every precaution must be taken to insure the recovery of a torpedo when fired for an exercise run, but it is not desired that the fear of an occasional loss of a torpedo shall prevent officers and men becoming thoroughly familiar with the weapon under probable service conditions of speed and helm angle of ship and air pressure in torpedo flask."

FIRST OF THE AUTOTRUCKS.

Makes Its Appearance on the Streets of New York City—Is Run by Compressed Air.

For the first time an autotruck was seen on the streets of New York. It was truck No. 5 of the New York Autotruck company, which was brought down from Providence, where the vehicles of the company are being built. The wagon is 16 feet long, and is run by compressed air. The motor is of 100 horse-power. The body of the wagon is of heavy board, about four inches thick. There are no sideboards. The seat for the driver is built directly over the front wheels. The compressed air cylinders are just in front of the rear wheels, and attached to the body of the truck.

Sale of Orchids in England.

A collection of orchids made by Maj. Mason, of the Firs, Warwick, England, lately sold for $15,550. Several cypripediums brought from $300 to $400, and one, a specimen of cypripedium insigne giganteum, the best of its class ever seen, fetched $735. Nothing approaching these prices have ever been known in this country. Orchids in England have for a score of years almost equaled the prices of tulips in the tulip mania of Holland.

Visiting Burns' Birthplace.

During the year ended September 30 the number of visitors to Burns' cottage, Ayr, was 42,490, being 4,290 more than in 1896, which was the previous record year.

EXPORTS OF IRON AND STEEL.

Will Amount for the Year to $100,000,000, an Increase of $20,000,000 Over Any Previous Year.

American manufacturers will sell to the outside world over $100,000,000 worth of iron and steel in the calendar year 1899, or $20,000,000 in excess of any earlier year in their history. There was for the month of October an increase of over $2,000,000, as compared with the same month of last year, and for the ten months an increase of almost $20,000,000. The October figures of exports of iron and steel and manufactures thereof are $9,593,453, against $7,299,185 in October of last year, and for the ten months $86,162,258, against $67,290,560 last year. Both in price and quantity the figures of the export trade show an increase, and in practically every article and class. Bar iron, for instance, shows an increase of nearly 100 per cent. in quantity exported in 1899, as compared with 1898; bars or rods of steel an increase of 30 per cent.; wire rods of steel, 25 per cent.; steel sheets and plates over 100 per cent., and wire nails an increase in round terms of 200 per cent. in quantity.

It is thus apparent that the frequently expressed belief that the increase in prices of iron and steel and manufactures thereof in the United States would cause an immediate and plainly perceptible decrease in our exportations was not justified. The corresponding rise in prices in other parts of the world and the continued increase in demand for products and manufactures of this character fully offset the increased price and increased demand at home, and this combination of an unusual demand from the home and foreign markets upon our manufactures readily accounts for the frequent reports of shortage in supplies of material and inability of American manufacturers to promptly fill all orders received.

LOVE AND MONEY.

Mrs. Sage Declares That Poverty Should Not Turn a Poor Man's Eyes from a Rich Girl.

Discussing problems of love and marriage in society, Mrs. Russell Sage says:

"Much stress is often laid upon the fact that wealthy men are on the lookout for wealthy husbands for their daughters. This is not so. As a rule, a father prefers to see his daughter married to a good, honorable, ambitious man who has no fortune, rather than to an idle, fashionable fop who cares for nothing in life but clubs, clothes and a competency.

"Poor young men should not allow false pride to stand in the way of their accepting the love of a rich girl, for if a man has ambition the fortune is only a stepping stone to his goal.

"The income necessary for a young couple starting out in life in New York and wishing to continue in the fashionable set is altogether relative. The lowest possible figure is $5,000 a year—but it could be done for that by careful expenditure and wholesome disregard of opera boxes, theater tickets, carriages, etc.

"Many young men with rich fathers make the mistake of depending upon them for their future support, and for that reason make no effort to obtain employment for themselves."

DISTRICT SERVANT GIRL.

An Invention of the Household Economic Association That Fills a Long-Felt Want.

The American district servant girl, invented by the Household Economic association, has gone into triumphant effect at New York city. She reported at the only district office which has been established, at 1773 Broadway, to await calls. The first day's business showed the plan to be a success. Everyone connected with the association regretted that the American district servant girl was not invented before.

Many servant girls registered their names at the office, and soon were running about town to do work at the rate of 20 cents an hour.

The first call was from a family in West Sixty-eighth street. Their cook had resigned in a rage, and an American district servant girl was summoned to cook the breakfast. She did the work in three hours, collected 60 cents, and returned to the office delighted with the arrangement.

"Under this scheme we get the benefit of a variety of places," she said, "and the pay is excellent. We have our evenings to ourselves, and we don't have to eat in the houses where we work, but take our own meals in restaurants or in our own homes, ordering what we please."

It is believed that the new possibilities, with the improved compensation, will tempt many girls from factory life.

LUNG Trouble

Lung troubles, such as pleurisy or acute inflammation of the lungs, should be carefully treated to avoid serious consequences. These affections are quickly overcome by the prompt use of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, a wonderful remedy, which always gives relief, eases coughing, allays all inflammation, and by its healing influence soon effects a thorough cure.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup

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TO HELP FARMING INDUSTRY.

Move Made by Prominent Citizens of New York to Aid the Farmers of the State.

A movement in the interest of the farmers of New York state and the farming industry is being developed by several wealthy men and women, whose interest was aroused in the subject during the general depression of five years ago, when many farmers were forced to give up their farms. They came to New York city in the hope of being able to support their families, but few met with even moderate success.

The leaders in the movement are ex-Mayor Abram S. Hewitt, Mrs. Seth Low, ex-Secretary of the Treasury John G. Carlisle, R. Fulton Cutting, William E. Dodge, Mrs. Josephine Shaw Lowell, Jacob H. Schiff, Walter L. Suydam and a number of others.

The committee has engaged the services of John T. Powell, an expert on the subject, to make an exhaustive investigation of the agricultural condition of the state.

Mr. Powell made a detailed study of the farming affairs in each county. Summarized, the report shows that where the conditions of the farmers was almost deplorable five years ago, by reason of the hard times, it is now the reverse.

Mr. Powell's report showed that the farmers who had a scientific and broad knowledge of agriculture had much greater financial success than those who merely worked their land on old-fashioned methods.

He favored the establishment of a school near New York city for the scientific teaching of horticultural and other branches of agriculture.

The committee will further examine as to the need of such a school, and it will be established if it is found that it will benefit the farmers of the state.

GENUINE BOOK WORM.

Discovered Boring Through an Edition of Thomas Jefferson's Works in a New York Book Store.

In a little old book shop in Ann street, not far from Broadway, New York city, and much frequented by book worms of the human species, there is on exhibition a genuine book worm, one of the rarest of insects, and it is feeding upon the works of Thomas Jefferson. According to bibliophiles, it is ten years since a book worm has been seen in this city. Librarians and dealers in books have discovered their borings, but the creatures themselves have escaped. An offer of $100,000 was made for the last one that was found here, but the offer was refused and the worm mysteriously disappeared. Isaac Mendoza, the owner of the Ann street book store, says that in his experience of 19 years he had seen only two genuine book worms. The first was found in a Nassau street shop ten years ago, and the second is now in his possession. The one he has now started at the back of an old volume entitled "Memoirs, Correspondence and Miscellaneous, from the Writings of Thomas Jefferson." It worked straight through to the front of the book, boring a hole about one-sixteenth of an inch in diameter. When it struck the front cover it strolled about in the fly leaves, leaving a winding passage about three inches long. It then struck into the book again on the return journey to the back cover. When shown it was at page 19, which it had reached after two days' work. There are 519 pages in the book. The insect is about half an inch in length, white in color and has a brown head.

BIBLE TEXT ON AN ELEVATOR.

Kansas Grain Merchant Proves His Belief in a Positive and Living Gospel.

The people of Lebanon, Kan., and passengers of the Rock Island railroad have been given a practical illustration of the proclaiming of God's word from the housetops. The big grain elevator owned by E. D. Hoyde, a devout Free Methodist, has been decorated by a sign painted with this Bible quotation:

"Eternity in hell. He lifted up his eyes, being in torment. He is not deceived. God is not mocked. Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My words shall not pass away. Fear God and keep His Commandments. For the Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

These texts are in bright letters, and may be read for miles over the level plains.

Mr. Hoyde is one of the wealthiest citizens of Lebanon, is a member of the town council and prominent in church and temperance work. He says a positive Gospel teKs, and he believes in disseminating it in every possible way.

Stuyvesant's Pear Tree.

A tablet on the side wall of the building on the southeast corner of Thirteenth street and Third avenue, New York, says: "On this corner grew Petrus Stuyvesant's pear tree. Recalled to Holland in 1664. On his return he brought the pear tree and planted it as his memorial, 'by which,' said he, 'my name may be remembered.' The pear tree flourished and bore fruit for over 200 years. The tablet placed here by the Holland Society of New York, September, 1896."

Rare Copper Coins.

There is a premium on copper cents of from 1793 to 1814, inclusive, and from 1816 to 1857, inclusive, the rarest being 1799, which sometimes brings $25, and 1804, which has sold for $25. Others that have brought one dollar or more are 1793, 1795, 1796, 1809 and 1811.

Discrimination.

Montreal Le Presse will not accept an advertisement calculated to cause immigration to the United States.

LOCAL TIME CARD

P., Ft. W. & C. R. R.

Change of time on Pennsylvania Line.

Under a new schedule in effect Nov. 19th, 1899. Passenger trains over the Pennsylvania Lines leave Lima station as follows:

For the East No. 6 leaves at ....*7:16 a m
" 20 " " ......10:31 a m
" 20 " " ......*2:54 p m
" 8 " " ......9:00 p m
" 2 " " ......10:46 p m

For the West No. 15 leaves at ......1:50 a m
" 5 " " ......2:33 a m
" 39 " " ......*9:40 a m
" 9 " " ......*2:34 p m
" 25 " " ......*5:24 p m

Denotes Change. F M EAKIN, Ticket Agent.

C., H. & D. R. R.

In effect June 25 1899, at 4:45 o'clock

No. NORTH.

12 arrives daily ......1:50 a m
14 arrives " except Sunday ......5:55 a m
2 arrives " except Sunday ......8:15 a m
6 leaves " ......11:57 a m
4 arrives " except Sunday ......4:35 p m
10 arrives " ......9:00 p m
36 " Sunday only ......9:55 a m
30 Sunday only ......7:40 a m

No. SOUTH.

7 arrives daily ......2:05 a m
11 leaves " except Sunday ......5:45 a m
1 leaves " except Sunday ......9:20 a m
5 leaves " ......12:41 p m
3 leaves " ......4:09 p m
3 arrives " ......7:45 p m
35 Sunday only, leaves ......7:30 p m

D. & L. N R. R.

Taking effect Oct. 8, 1899.

Passenger trains of the Detroit & Lima Northern arrive and depart from Lima as follows:

No. ARRIVES
1, Detroit, Adrain and Lima ......1:15 p m
3, Detroit, Adrain and Lima ......10:00 p m

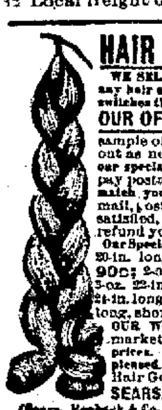
No. LEAVES
2, Lima, Leipsic, Adrain and Detroit ......6:00 a m
4, Lima, Leipsic, Adrain and Detroit ......3:00 p m
For Lakeview, Bellefontaine, etc., leave via O S R R ......4:25 a m
From Lakeview, Bellefontaine, etc., arrives via O S R R ......10:55 a m

All trains daily except Sunday. South bound trains depart from Bellefontaine venue.

ERIE R. R.

No. WEST. DEPART
Vestibule limited, daily for Chicago and the West ......11:23 a m
8 Pacific express, daily for Chicago and the West ......1:12 a m
1 Express, daily except Sunday, for Chicago and the West ......3:10 a m
1 Local freight, daily ex. Sunday ......7:00 a m
5 Wells-Fargo lim'd express, daily except Monday ......4:59 p m

EAST.
Vestibule limited, daily for New York and Boston ......9:02 p m
2 Express, daily except Sunday ......3:24 p m
12 Express, daily for New York ......3:41 a m
12 Local freight daily ex. Sunday ......7:00 a m



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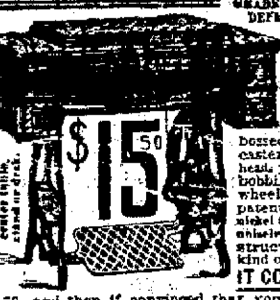

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ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR WINTER TOURISTS.

The Illinois Central desires to call attention to the unexcelled service that is offered by its lines to the south for the season of 1899-1900.

CALIFORNIA VIA NEW ORLEANS.

Pullman Tourist Sleeping Car from Chicago every Wednesday morning.

Personally conducted. Runs through to Los Angeles and San Francisco, via New Orleans in connection with the Southern Pacific, leaving Chicago on the Central's fast "New Orleans Special;" connection also made by the train with daily trains out of New Orleans for the Pacific Coast. The Limited from Chicago every evening, connects on Mondays and Thursdays at New Orleans (after December 18, 1900 with the

SUNSET LIMITED

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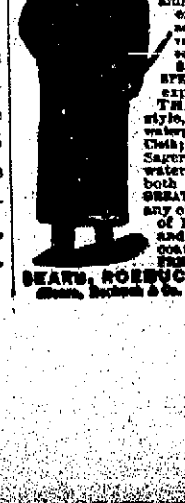
Full particulars concerning all of the above can be had of agents of the Illinois Central, or by addressing A. H. Hanson, G. P. A., Chicago.



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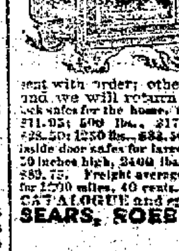

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SEND US $5.00 as a guarantee of good faith and we will send you any fire proof safe by freight, C. O. D., subject to examination. You can examine it at your freight depot and if you find it the equal of any fire proof combination lock iron and steel safe made and about one-third the price charged by others for the same size and grade, pay your freight agent our special factory price and freight charges, less the $5.00 sent with order; otherwise return it at our expense and we will return your $5.00. 100-lb. combination lock safes for the home, $6.95; 300-lb. office and store safes, $11.95; 500 lbs., $17.95; 700 lbs., $21.95; 1000 lbs., $28.50; 1250 lbs., $32.50; very large double outside and double inside door safes for large business, factory, jewelry or bank, 30 inches high, 2400 lbs., $63.75; 62 inches high, 4000 lbs., $89.75. Freight averages 25 cents per 100 lbs. for 500 miles; for 1000 miles, 40 cents. WRITE FOR FREE SAFE CATALOGUE and special liberal C. O. D. offer.

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It artificially digests the food and aids Nature in strengthening and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency. It instantly relieves and permanently cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Heartburn, Flatulence, Sour Stomach, Nausea, Sick Headache, Gastralgia, Cramps, and all other results of imperfect digestion.

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KALB SUED FOR $25,000

Janitor Bowsher, of the Faurot Block, Files a Damage Case Against the Cashier of the American National.

In the common pleas court today, another petition was filed which has for its foundation the American Bank robbery of one year ago today. News readers will remember the recent suit filed by janitor Bowsher, of the Faurot block, who had charge of the bank room, against N. L. Michael, wherein he asked $25,000 damages against said Michael for slanderous words used against Bowsher. The suit of today is an exact duplicate of the one against Michael, though brought against Cashier Gus Kalb.

Through his attorney, T R Hamilton, the plaintiff makes allegations against Kalb similar in trend to those against Michael, and in substance claims that Kalb used these words: "The janitor is the man who robbed this bank." "I (Kalb), believe that the janitor is the man who got that money." "That is the man," pointing to Bowsher, "who got the money." "I," said Kalb, "know you," meaning Fowsher, "robbed this bank." Plaintiff alleges that Kalb said further in one instance these words: "You get this money here by one o'clock today, or I will have you arrested and put in jail." "I know you have got the money and you can not get out of it." And further that Kalb addressing plaintiff said: "You have got that money hid in the basement."

The petition recites numerous other conversations wherein Kalb is alleged to have accused Bowsher of having stolen the money, and plaintiff for all of which, prays damages from said Kalb in the sum of $25,000.

THREE COURT CASES

Being Heard By Judge Cunningham and Mooney Today.

The jury for the fall term of court has been discharged and Judge Mooney and Cunningham are hearing three court causes today.

The latter is engaged in the suit of Hudson J Carl vs. P P Helty et al; an action to recover a commission for the sale of oil property.

Plaintiff claims he sold oil property for the Putnam oil company, of Bluffton, on which he was to receive a commission of $400.

PICK THEM OUT

And telephone 107 and T P Jones will do the rest:

Christmas Trees and Holly.
Turkeys, Ducks,
Chickens, Geese,
Select Oysters,
Cranberries, Sweet Potatoes.
Celery,
Lettuce, Radishes,
Home Made Mince Meat,
Malaga Grapes, Florida Oranges,
Bananas,
Figs, Dates,
Nuts of All Kinds,
Candy, Best and cheapest.

Watson will have his store open till 10 a m Monday.

Handsome new Andersen & Newton pianos in mahogany and walnut just received by Miss Cox, southeast corner square.

Your Christmas won't be complete without some of Bower's Delicious Pop Corn goods. Go see his display of Pop Corn and Candy.

Go to Cardosi for all kinds of fruits, candies and cigars. Cheapest place in Lima. 3t

Books are the popular gifts this year. See lines at the City Book Store.

EIGHTEEN CENTS WILL SURPRISE YOU.

These China Cups and Saucers, and China Plates, that we are selling at eighteen cents eclipse anything ever offered in this city at any such prices. We would not think of selling these prices if we had had them sooner, but we have two large crates of them and they must be sold this week or we must carry them over. 1t LIMA TEA CO.

Watson has plenty of Holly.

"Not How Cheap"
but "How Good"
is our motto. Buy
your Christmas presents of us
and your friends will
know they are right.
"Meet Me at the Lima
House Corner.

A DAY IN LIMA.

Mrs Van Winters is quite sick.

The fall term of Lima College closed yesterday.

The Eureka Bowling Club won last night in a contest with the Lillies.

The stores were in their Christmas attire to-day—all doing a fine business.

A pound donation will be given by Allen Lodge, at their hall in the Ashton block to-night.

George Siebert was fined $1 and costs by Justice Duffield yesterday for disorderly conduct.

Harry Knisely gave a graphaphone entertainment to his employes last night. It was a very enjoyable affair.

These officers were elected to serve for Grace Epworth League this coming year: President, Harry Thomas; 1st vice president, Frank Houtzer; 2nd vice president, Mrs Furry; 3rd vice president, Margaret Van Atta; 4th vice president, Mrs A Arnold; secretary, Robert Cox; assistant secretary, Ray Atmur; Treasurer, Adda Patton; organist, Rowena Piatt; assistant organist, Maude Wolfe; chorister, F F Devoe; assistant chorister, Ida B Kieffer.

Money to loan at 5 per cent. T K Wilkins, opera house block. e o d 1mo

THE SUNDAY NEWS

In order that the employees of the NEWS company may enjoy Christmas, the Management publish a paper tomorrow morning.

PLENTY CHEAP POULTRY.

Dressed Turkeys, Ducks, Geese and Chickens at Townsend's.

Simons has the sweetest Oranges in Lima.

FREE LUNCH.

Sixty pounds of roast Turkey at Humston's Saturday night.

See those Cups, Saucers and Plates in the Lima Tea Co's front window.

Boxes for Christmas Trees, Bonbons for parties, largest assortment at Bower'f Bakery.

Christmas candies can be found at the Puritan Dairy company. 3t

Handsome new Anderson & Newton pianos in mahogany and walnut just received by Miss Cox, southeast corner square.

Guess on Watson's stick of Candy, You may get it, and it don't cost a cent.

Prof Stanley—Portrait artist, employs no agents. Pictures must be brought to studio. 1m

HOLLY WREATHES,

The only wreathes made of extra fancy Holly in the city. LIMA FLORAL CO. tf

New Tomatoes at Dimond's.

COUNCIL.

The Lima Railway

Refuses to Grant a Reduced Rate to

Laboring Men Unless the City Grants Them

An Extension of Their Franchise—Bills Allowed, Etc.

Solicitor Henderson, was sometime ago instructed by the Council to take the matter up with the Lima Railway Company, of securing a reduced rate for the working men, and last night at council reported that the Railway company refused to do anything unless their franchise was extended ten or fifteen years by the city. Solicitor stated that the railway company were not operating the extremes of several of the lines and suggested that they be compelled to operate or annul their franchise.

A motion to notify the company to operate their entire lines or the franchise would be annulled was carried.

A motion to notify the company to complete and operate their lines on south Pine street, and McDonald inserted north Main street to Murphy street, and that unless this is done the franchise will be annulled. Carried.

The street commissioner was instructed to repair crossings at east Market and Central avenue and Main and McKibben.

The engineer was instructed to put n the intersection on East Elm street.

The street commissioner was ordered to haul no more new stone on the Elida road.

The clerk was instructed to enter a remititure of the paving assessment for the Episcopal Church property, on east North street, for all in excess of 125 feet.

Elm street property owners sent in a petition objecting to the paving between Pine street and McPherson avenue. Referred to the paving committee.

The committee to which was referred the question of dangerous bill boards in the city, reported recommending the reduction of Tirril's three story boards to two story, and that four of them belonging to Tirrill and the opera house be removed entirely. The report was adopted.

The street committee reported in favor of the vacation of an alley on Reese avenue, as petitioned for a few weeks ago, the vacation at cost of petitioner. Report adopted.

Resolution allowing the following bills and ordering them paid was passed.

Bridge fund	$ 864 01
Fire fund	712 42
General fund	1,456 49
Light fund	1,282 50
Police fund	943 96
Poor fund	47 97
Sanitary fund	126 58
Sewer fund	752 38
Sidewalk fund	99 94
Street fund	1,156 17
East Elm street fund	14 00
Eureka street fund	30 00
Wayne street No 2 fund	48 00
Collett street opening	2 00
Maple Lane opening	19 21
Findlay street opening	333 81

Resolutions allowing the bills and ordering them paid, passed.

Ordinance assessing property on Linden street for paving First reading. The rules were suspended and the ordinance placed upon its passage and passed

Ordinance authorizing the building of two fire houses. Rules suspended and ordinance passed.

Ordinance regulating the tearing up of the streets, alleys and highways of the city for purposes of gas, water and sewer connections. Second reading

A communication from S O Gallagher, of Millersburg, Ky., relative to bloodhounds, in which he asks $300 for a pair, was read. It was placed on file.

LIMA CLUB'S

Annual New Year's Reception.—Committee Appointed.

As is the custom the annual reception of the Lima Club to the members and friends, will occur on the after noon of January first, between three and seven o'clock. The following committees have been appointed:

Reception Committee— C. H. Cory, Chairman; 3 to 5; S. L. Bates, W. K Boone, S. A. Baxter, D. W. Steiner, G. M. Sprague, J. K. Brice, T. K Jacobs, D. S. Irwin, F. W. Black; 5 to 7, J. W. Griffin, D. J. O'Day, J. W. VanDyke, J. B. Vail, J. J. Ewing, J. G. Neubauer, T. J. Morris, A. C. Baxter, and H. D. Campbell.

Serving Committee—M. M. Langan, Chairman; 3 to 5, G. P. Dildine, K W. Hughes, F. B. Thomas, D. A. Baxter, L. H. Cunningham, V. B Winters, W. B. Van Note, J. F. Orthwine, J. E. Sullivan; 5 to 7, J A. Hover, G. B. Frasch, C. S. Baxter, F. J. Sargent, G. D. Thrift, C. A. Mooney, W. K. Boone, jr., G. W. Snyder and F. M. Griffin.

Decoration Committee—R. C. Warner, F. E. Harman and W. K. Boone, jr.

Invitation Committee—H. S. Standish, H. L. Brice and F. A. Hume.

Mrs R. L. Bates, is chairman of the Refreshment Committee.

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The handsomest
line of Mufflers
in the city at the
American Clothiers,

Lima House Corner.

Fur Novelties.

The fur scarfs, sets, and many novel pieces sent us on memorandum by a well known fur house have sold very readily, the assortment contains many novel and rich pieces which are still here.

Fox sets of boas and muffs, $18 00 to 22.00.

Marten, blue Fox, silver Fox and Table dyed Wolf sets $18 to $30.

Marten collarettes in all marten and Persian lamb combinations, $20 00 to 50.00.

This display has proven a good attraction for our patrons and many handsome pieces have been sold.

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HOLIDAY BRIC-A-BRAC,

HALF PRICE.

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